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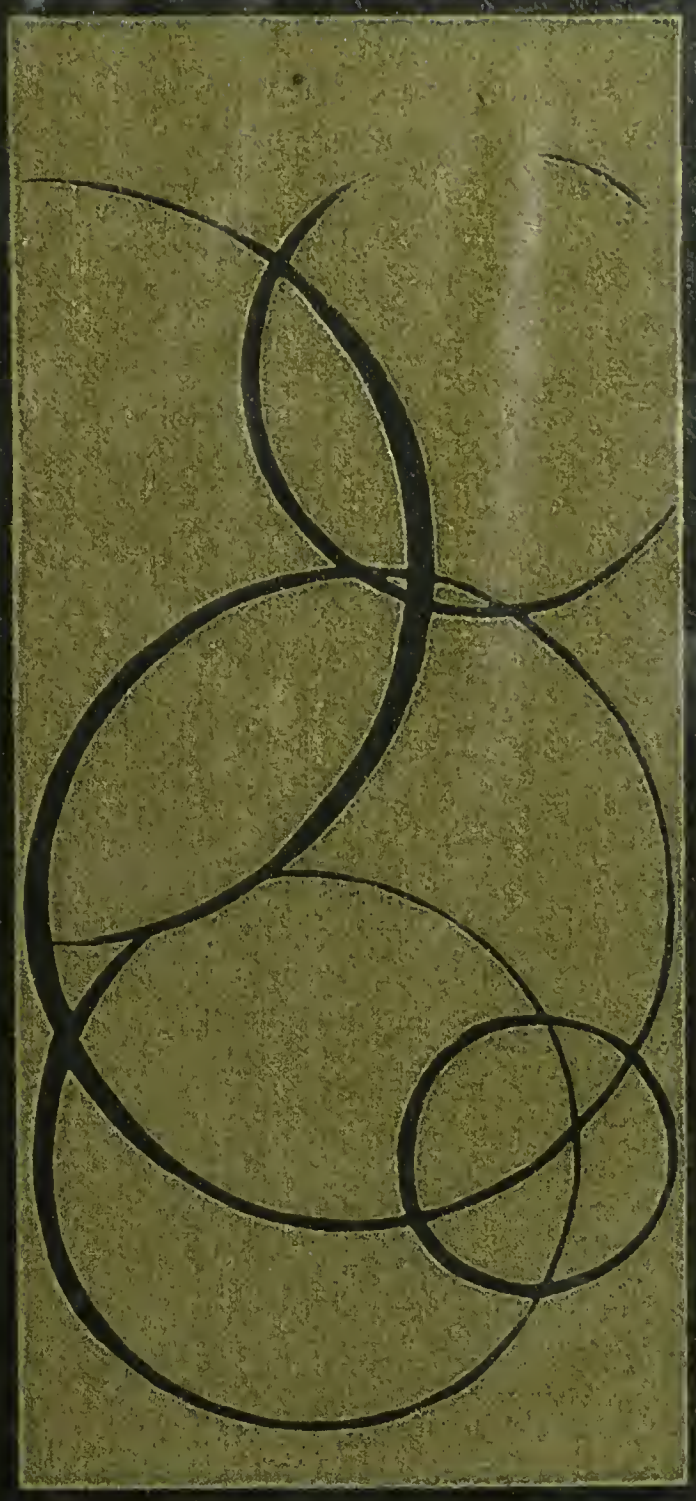

Jennie,

I haven't known you very long. But what I know, I like you Alot. Good luck in the future + with the boys.

Your friend
Trudy

Since we've been in a while we have a really bright student and you are two, that's one all I can do is to wish you luck to accompany your many talents!

Gentlemen

Lonnie,
Its real nice having you in Geometry class (73-74).
You're real sweet so stay as you are & you'll have great luck in the future. Your neighbor

Sam

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This is the story of our school for the year 1972-73. It is dedicated to the student body of Abingdon High School as it includes a small portion of our joys, sorrows, plans, and progress. Within this book lie reflections of places, events, and people whose memories cannot stray from our minds.

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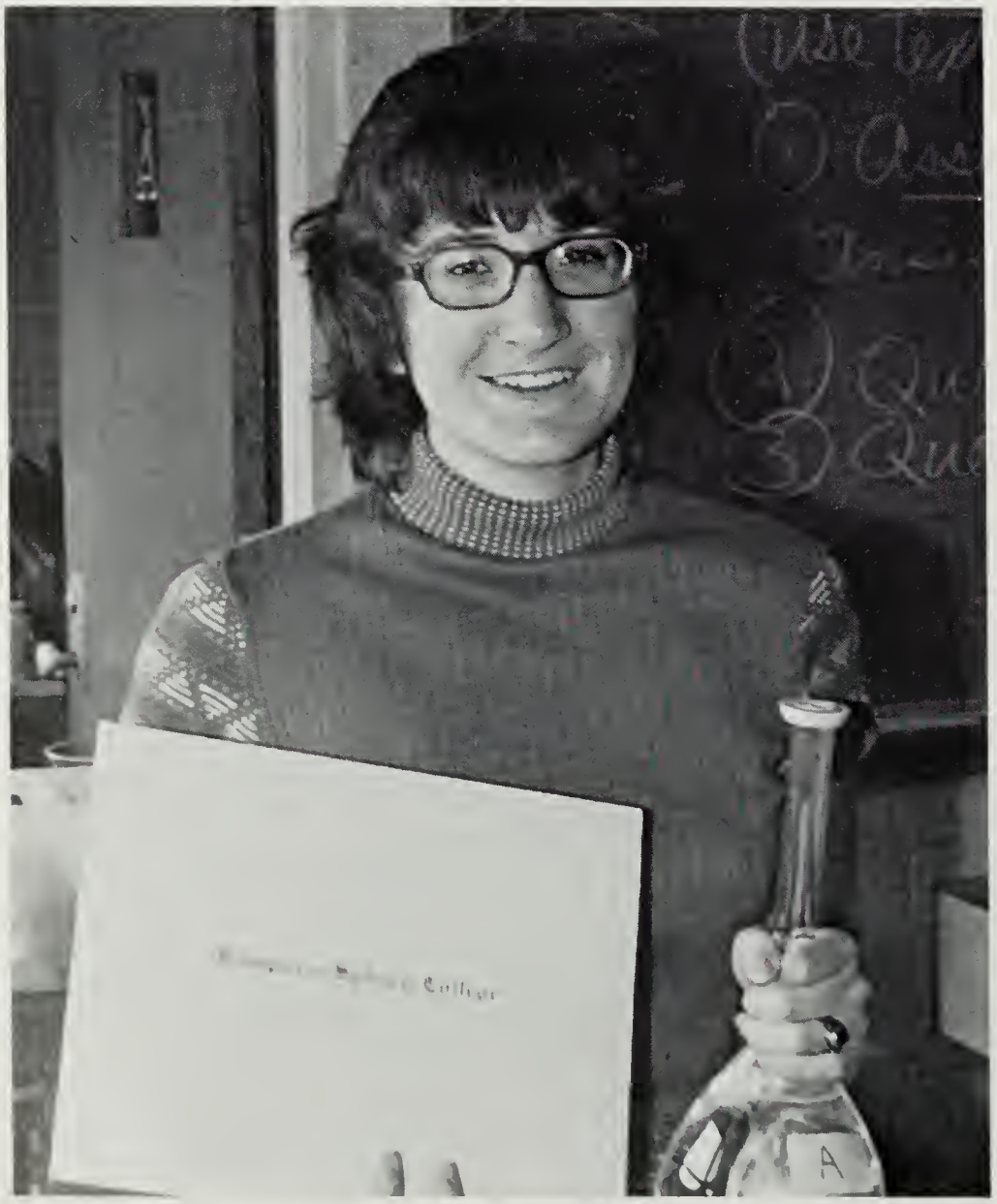


Reflections of Involvement

As Edited by: Donna Barrett and Janie Gold

ABOVE LEFT: Brenda Widener and Don Hall dance to the music of Carousel at the Homecoming Dance.
ABOVE RIGHT: Jimmy Keyser, Bob Fern, and Connie Martin sit this one out and enjoy the music at a table.
RIGHT: Gale Thompson carries the ball, as the Warriors close in.

Homecoming Victory Highlights Week

Homecoming

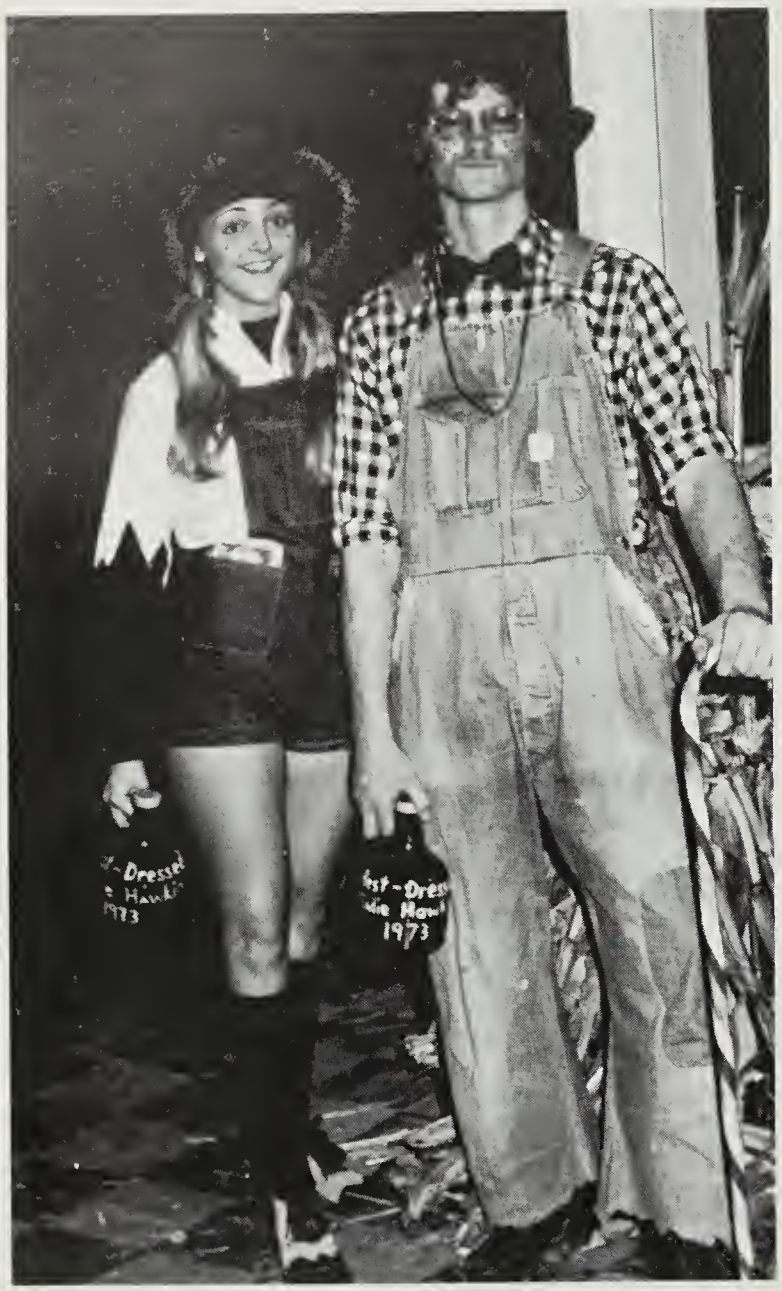
Falcon Pride and Spirit rated high among students during Homecoming activites. All the classes busily worked on streamers and posters for the main hall. Students "went wild" at the Pep Rally, competing for the Spirit Trophy. It was a close decision, but the Seniors won first place. However, the football game against undefeated Chilhowie started in a state of gloom and despair. At halftime, fans looked on as Alice Morgan was crowned queen. The blue and white Senior Class float displaying the words of the school chant; "Falcons Are Superstars", circled the field. During the second half, the players' spirits soared to a 20-19 edgeover victory. The bleachers, dotted with white mums, went wild as we knew we reigned once again as superstars. The annual Homecoming Dance gave the fans a "chance to catch their breath" as couples enjoyed the music of Carousel. Homecoming, 1972, reflects smiles, victory, and success.

ABOVE RIGHT: Vicky Heisler and Sandy Snead ride in the Homecoming Parade. RIGHT: Don Yates is ready for the big game. ABOVE: Decorations flood the Junior hall during Homecoming week.

RIGHT: Mr. Brown crowns Alice Morgan Homecoming Queen for 1972. Alice is escorted by Donnie Holtsinger. LOWER LEFT: Tom Counts accompanies Senior representative, Chris Myers. LOWER RIGHT: Another Senior member of the court, Cindy Wright, is escorted by Eddie Bowen.

BELOW: Senior Class representative, Kathy Moretz, is escorted by Ray Chitwood. BOTTOM LEFT: Junior Class representative, Donna Maiden, smiles radiantly as she is escorted by Barry Matheson. TOP RIGHT: Debbie Durrett representing the Sophomore Class and escort, Jeff Blackwell await the crowning of the queen. CENTER RIGHT: Freshman Class representative. Sandy Snead, and escort David Foster are enthusiastic about the ceremonies. LOWER RIGHT: Vicky Heisler, representative for the Eighth Grade, looks on with anticipation. She is escorted by Rick Shupe.

BELOW: Karen Gentry and Gary Fuller are selected as most appropriately dressed. UPPER RIGHT: Bob Nelson and Laura Ryland prefer one of the slower dances. LOWER RIGHT: Freddie Dye and Debbie Reffey are honored with the title of Lil Abner and Daisy Mae.



White Horses and Hitchin' Posts

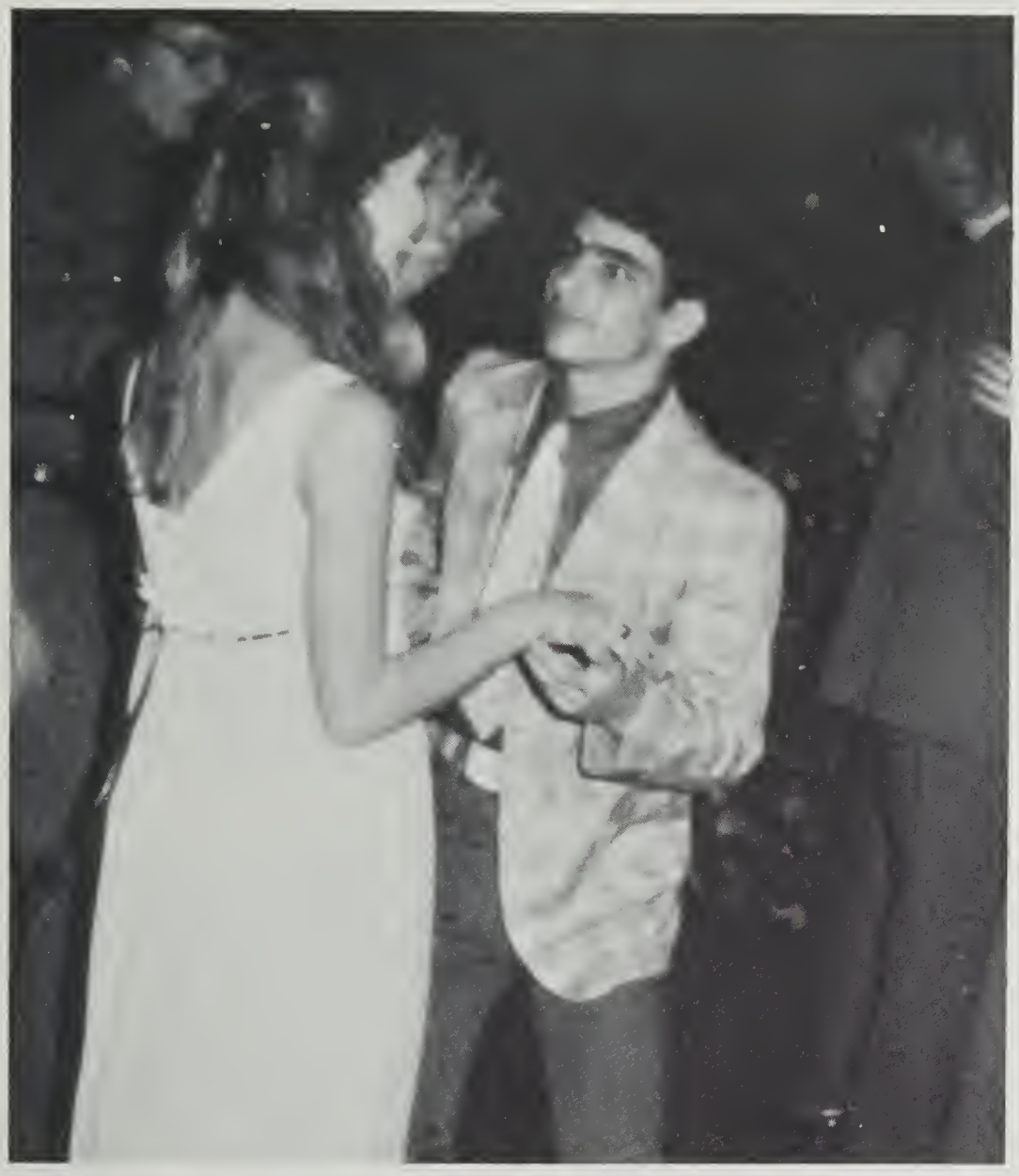
Sadie Hawkins

Hillbilly moods were reflected by Abingdon High students at the annual Sadie Hawkins dance. Blue jeans, straw hats, corn, and haybales presented an appropriate atmosphere for all the L'l Abners and Daisy Maes attending. Most of the couples enjoyed posing on the white wooden horse for pictures or being hitched at the Hitchin' Post. The event was especially different because girls asked guys. Also there were no formals to buy or corsages to wear. Everyone dressed as they wished as they danced to the music of Shadrack.

Christmas Royalty Crowned at Dance

Christmas Dance

Mistletoe, streamers, and Christmas lights were among the decorations at the annual Christmas Dance. Members of the Interact Club worked diligently decorating for the event. Velvet dresses, loud music, and a gigantic tree helped to reflect the holiday spirit of the students attending. Couples danced to the music of J. Gardner Steele in the romantic candle-lit atmosphere. Highlighting the dance was the announcement of Snow King and Queen. Danny Wilson a sophomore, and Donna Casteel a freshman, received the honors. Dreams of Christmas and the happy Yuletide season captured couples' moods as they danced through the evening.



UPPER LEFT: George Gregory dances with his date, Vicky Heisler. LOWER LEFT: Snow Queen, Donna Casteel and Snow King, Danny Wilson examine the last remnants of a snowfall. ABOVE: Jackie Easterly and Linda Groce enjoy the dance.

Be My Valentine — Theme for Dance

Valentine Dance

"Be my Valentine" is a typical phrase one always hears around February 14. But for Abingdon High students this year, it became more than just a phrase. "Be my Valentine" was the theme of the annual Valentine Dance, sponsored by the Key Club. Debbie Roark was crowned Valentine queen. A well known band, Southern Comfort, provided entertainment for the couples attending.

TOP LEFT: The Valentine Court consists of: FRONT ROW: Debbie Wheeler, Queen Debbie Roark, and Cindy Wright. SECOND ROW: Leslie Shuman, Tamara Farnsworth, and Tammy Bailey. BOTTOM LEFT: Debbie McCroskey and Tim Moretz enjoy a dance. TOP RIGHT: Kathy Reed's date escorts her to the dance floor. BOTTOM RIGHT: Rena Fulton and Larry Powers enjoy the music.

TOP LEFT: The court consists of the following members: Debbie Roark, Queen Kathy Moretz, Debbie Riffey, SEATED: Peggy Kimberlin and Debbie Durrett, STANDING. CENTER LEFT: Couples await the crowning of the queen. BOTTOM LEFT: Couples dance to the music of "Junction". TOP RIGHT: Jim Bowden crowns the queen.

Kathy Moretz Crowned Queen

Spring Formal

Palm trees, a sparkling pond of water, and gay floral arrangements added to the "Garden Party" theme at the Spring Formal. Couples danced to the music of "Junction", a popular band from Lexington, Virginia. The highlight of the event was the crowning of the May Queen, Kathy Moretz. Other members of the May court were Debbie Riffey, Debbie Roark, Debbie Durrett, and Peggy Kimberlin. The National Honor Society sponsored the annual dance.

Superstar Chant Enlivens Pep Rallies

Pep Rallies

"Falcons are Superstars! We're number one and we know we are!" The chant was heard in the halls, in the cafeteria, and on buses. But it was really loud during pep rallies as spirited students echoed the words through the gym. The pep rallies were held during both football and basketball seasons. They gave Falcon fans the chance to voice their support for the team. The cheerleaders worked hard making signs and preparing skits honoring individual team members.

ABOVE LEFT: The senior class imitation of a Chilhowie Warrior takes his stand behind the microphone.
ABOVE RIGHT: Cheerleaders Alice Morgan and Susan Barrow participate in a skit during a pep rally.
BELOW RIGHT: Sally Smith creams a "Patrick Henry Rebel" before the student body.

TOP RIGHT: A junior displays her new class ring. TOP LEFT: Mr. Brown presents Linda Casey with her class ring. BOTTOM RIGHT: Kathy Fugate taps Nava Robinson into the National Honor Society. BOTTOM LEFT: Patty Phillips, Susan Munsey, and Jennie Taylor welcome Karen Gentry as a new member of the National Honor Society.

Jr. Class Members Receive Honors

Ring and Tapping Assemblies

"Class rings are here! I can't wait to get mine!" These words were heard around Abingdon High preceding the Ring Assembly. Junior Class members had anticipated their arrivial for eleven years. The rings were presented to them during a special assembly. Also, many eleventh grade students ranked high academically. More juniors were tapped into the National Honor Society during the annual tapping ceremony. For the class of 1974 this year became one of the most memorable.

Cast

Miss Simple . . . . . Susan Barrow
Mrs. Dull . . . . . Susan Munsey
Policeman. . . . . Dan Richards
Young Man . . . . . Greg Owens
Make Up . . . . . Alice Morgan
Brenda Wright
Stage Manager . . . . . Rhonda Minnick

TOP LEFT: Miss Simple explains her plans to remodel her shop to Mrs. Dull. CENTER LEFT: Miss Simple talks to her canary. ABOVE: Miss Simple listens as the young man describes Life Incorporated. TOP RIGHT: The young man tells Mrs. Simple why he crushed her petunias.

Enjoyment in Life Found Everywhere

One-Act Play

"The Case of the Crushed Petunias" was a meaningful comedy fantasy presented to the school. A new England spinster was visited by a charming traveling salesman representing "Life Unlimited". He tried to sell her on the idea that enjoyment in life was found everywhere, if one looked for it. He apparently succeeded and the audience saw some real changes in the spinster before the end of the play.

BELOW: Lewis Harris and Rhonda Minnick were the school forensic winners in poetry. BOTTOM LEFT: The school winners for original oratory were Susan Barrow and Gary McCall. TOP RIGHT: Ann Sironko won the school spelling contest. CENTER RIGHT: Susan Munsey and Jay Lloyd were forensic winners for prose. BOTTOM RIGHT: Jennie Taylor and Kit Grantham won extemporaneous speaking in the school forensic contest.

Forensic Winners Compete at State

Forensics

Superior accomplishment was reflected by students involved in forensics. Gary McCall, Susan Barrow, Jennie Taylor, and Jay Lloyd placed first in district competition and were eligible to compete in the regional tournament. Winning second place honors in the district competition, Rhonda Minnick also competed in the regionals. Jennie Taylor and Gary McCall went on to state competition at Charlottesville, Virginia.

TOP LEFT: Teresa Wright, Jimmy Keyser, Lisa Baldwin, and Larry Rhoten seem to be enjoying the Athletic Banquet. TOP RIGHT: Mrs. Martha Yeary presents Carol Wilson with the Girl's Sportsmanship and Physical Fitness Award during the Sports Awards Assembly. BOTTOM RIGHT: Coaches Jerry Bishop and Larry Bales pose with Don DeVoe, basketball coach from Virginia Polytechnic Institute, before going to the All Sports Banquet.

AHS Athletes Receive Honors

Sports Banquet and Assembly

Coach Don DeVoe, basketball coach at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, was the guest speaker at this year's All Sports Banquet. The event, sponsored by the Abingdon Booster Club, honored all the endeavors of the Falcon athletic teams. Many awards were presented to individual athletes who had shown outstanding participation during the year. A Sport's Assembly, held before the student body, gave students a chance to see all the men and girls involved in athletics. Falcon athletes practiced the four factors for success; desire, dedication, confidence, and loyalty, and as a result brought much honor to themselves and to Abingdon High.

TOP LEFT: Milton Ross, Linda Ross, Andrew Hounshell, Diane Graham, and Robert Dicks seem to be enjoying their meal at the Athletic Banquet. BOTTOM RIGHT: Ray Warren accepts the second place Washington County Basketball Tournament trophy from Dan Richards and George Pope, co-captains of the 1973 Varsity Basketball Team.

Sports Banquet

Most Outstanding Cheerleader . . . Brenda Wright
BASEBALL: Most Improved . . . Danny Widener
Most Valuable . . . George Pope
Highest Batting Average . . . George Pope
BASKETBALL: Most Improved . . . Jerry Stewart
Most Valualbe . . . Dan Richards
Highest Foul Percentage . . . Mark Matheson
FOOTBALL: Most Improved-Fr. . . George Gregory
Most Improved-Soph. . . Mike Gregory
Most Improved-Jr. . . Curtis Lang
Most Improved-Sr. . . Mark Matheson
Joe Latture Blocking Award . . . Milton Ross
Jack Musser Memorial Award . . . George Pope
Danny Counts Award . . . George Pope
TRACK: Most Improved . . . Ricky Anderson
Most Valuable . . . Randy Cole
WRESTLING: Most Improved . . . John Sheffey
Outstanding Wrestling . . . Andrew Hounshell
GOLF: Outstanding Golfer . . . Buster Janson
TENNIS: Outstanding Tennis Player . . . Greg Owens
Sportsmanship Award . . . Rick Ornduff

Sports Assembly

All Football, wrestling, basketball, baseball, track, golf, and tennis teams and the cheerleading squads were recognized. Those who had earned letters or bars received them.
BASKETBALL: Junior Varsity Championship Trophy and Varsity Runner-Up Trophy in the Washington County Tournament presented to the School.
TRACK: Mile Relay Team undefeated in regular season First place trophy for Washington County Tournament and second place trophy for Abingdon Relay presented to school.
First in District Mile . . . Gale Thompson
Fifth in Regional Mile . . . Gale Thompson
Fourth in Regional Discus . . . Milton Ross
First in District High Jump . . . George Pope
Third in Regional High Jump . . . George Pope
First in District High and Intermediate Hurdles . . . Randy Cole
First in Regional High and Intermediate Hurdles . . . Randy Cole
Fifth in State High and Intermediate Hurdles . . . Randy Cole
WRESTLING: First in region . . . Andrew Hounshell
GOLF: Third Medalist in district . . . Buster Janson
Most Athletic Girl . . . Mardia Bradley
Most Athletic Boy . . . George Pope
Sportsmanship and Physical Fitness Award . . . Carol Wilson
All girls who had achieved 100 points for participating in intramurals received a G. A. A. pin.

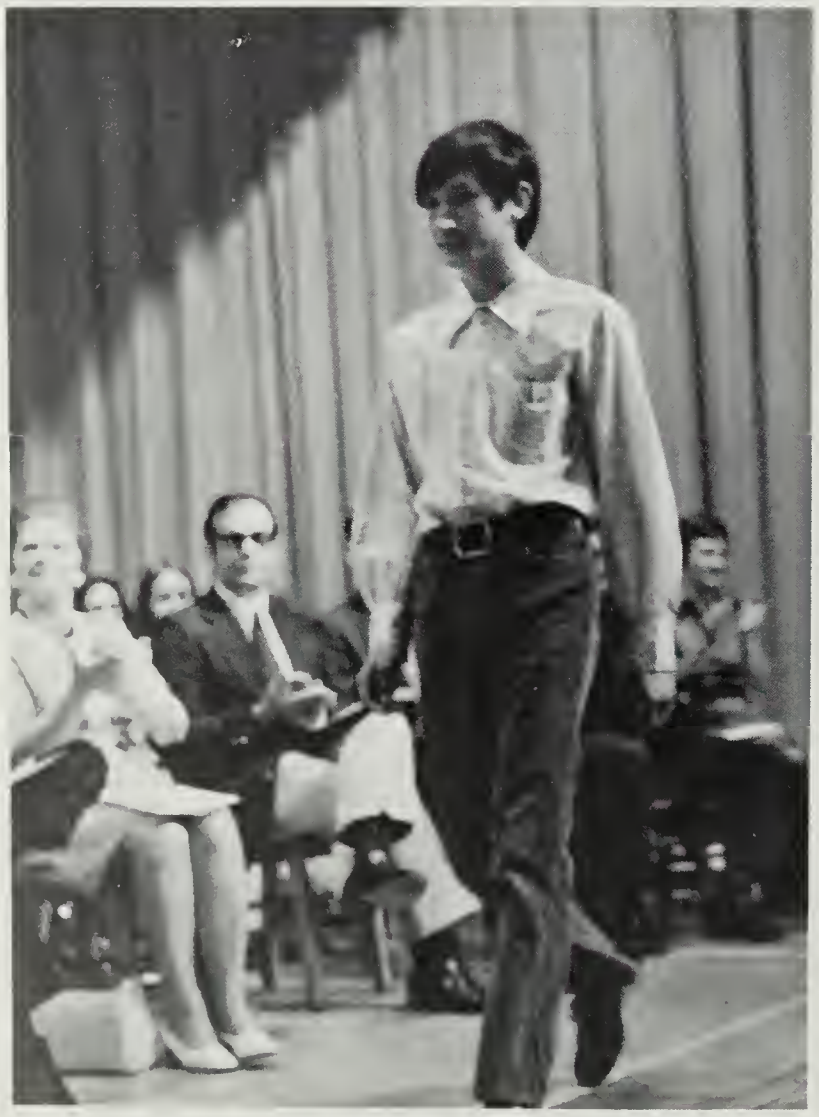
TOP: The words "Falcon Pride" stand out boldly behind members of the head table at the Athletic Banquet. BOTTOM LEFT: Coach Fred Selfe recognizes Gilmer Murray for his participation in wrestling. BOTTOM RIGHT: Teresa Wright, a J.V. Cheerleader, is recognized by Mrs. Pless, the J.V. cheerleading sponsor.

Students Receive Awards During an Assembly

Activities and Academics Assembly

Students who have worked diligently and excelled academically during the year were honored during the Academic Assembly. This year, many citizenship awards, scholarships, and other honor awards were presented. Numerous seniors received scholarships from various clubs and community organizations. Accepting an award before the student body is indeed, an honorable experience.

TOP LEFT: Mr. Brown accepts the International Science and Engineering Award from Tom Mattson on behalf of the school. BOTTOM LEFT: Cindy Wright, president of the Civinettes, accepts the award for the Best Service Club from Mr. Gregory. TOP RIGHT: Janie Gold receives one of the mathematics awards and seems pleased with her certificate and medal.



TOP LEFT: Susan Barrow accepts the Science and Mathematics award from Mr. Sheffield. BOTTOM LEFT: Virgil Anderson goes forward to receive the Gibson Vance Memorial Scholarship. TOP RIGHT: Jennie Taylor is enthusiastic about her Citizenship award. BOTTOM RIGHT: Patricia Glover receives an Eighth Grade Scholastic award.

TOP LEFT: Ray Warren, President of the S. C. A., presents a trophy of appreciation to Mr. Brown from the school. TOP RIGHT: Beth Collins receives the Blevins Funeral Home scholarship.

Activities and Academic Assembly

D. A. R. Award . . . . . Jennie Taylor
Library Assistant Award . . . . . Susan Ferguson
Library Audio-Visual Award . . . . . Ray Millsap
Dramatics Award . . . . . Rhonda Minnick
Outstanding Home Economics Student . . . Audrey South
State Homemaker Degree . . . . . Pat Harless
Judy Singleton
Voice of Democracy . . . . . Patty Phillips
Talon Award . . . . . Bobbie Jane Hamilton
Outstanding Journalism Student. . . . . Jackie Easterly
Arion Award . . . . . Brenda Susan Price
Rotary Citizenship Award. . . . . Jennie Taylor
Gibson Vance Memorial Scholarship . . . . Virgil Anderson
Outstanding Teacher Award . . . . . Mr. Fred Self
Eighth Grade Scholastic Award. . . . . Mary Fields
Patrica Glover
Senior Science and Mathematics Award . .
Susan Barrow
Mathematics Award . . . . . Janie Gold-first place,
Lewis Harris-second place
Mary Lambert-third place
Beacon Award . . . . . Donna Barrett
Janie Gold
Best Subject Centered Club Award . . . . .
Future Homemakers of America . . . .
Best Service Club . . . . Civinette Club
Five Year Perfect Attendance . . . . . Susan Ferguson
Jerry Stewart
Twelve Year Perfect Attendance . . . . . Andrew Hounshell

"I Dare You Award" . . . . . Connie McClure
Cathy Combs
Outstanding D.E. Students . . . Wanda Cumbow
Jay Lloyd
Outstanding Band Students . . . George Morrison
Elaine Bradley
Teresa Cunningham

All band members who had earned a band letter or bar received them.
Those band students who participated in All Regional Band received their metals.
All band students who had participated in Solo and Ensemble received their metals.
All chorus students who had participated in All Regional Chorus were recognized.
Ray Warren presented a trophy from the student body to Mr. Brown for his outstanding service to the school.
Scholarships were presented to . . . .
Brenda Susan Price, Virgil Anderson, Connie Campbell, Terry Smith, Mardia Bradley, Nancy Altizer, Carol Wilson, Janie Gold, Robin Riddle, Donna Barrett, Patty Goodson, Susan E. Price, Jerry Stewart.
Senior Monogram Award Winners . . . .
Susan Chitwood, Mardia Bradley, George Pope, Robin Riddle, Susan Barrow, Alice Morgan, Janie Gold, Beth Collins, Susan E. Price, Brenda Susan Price.

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Reflections of Competition

As Edited by: Robin Riddle

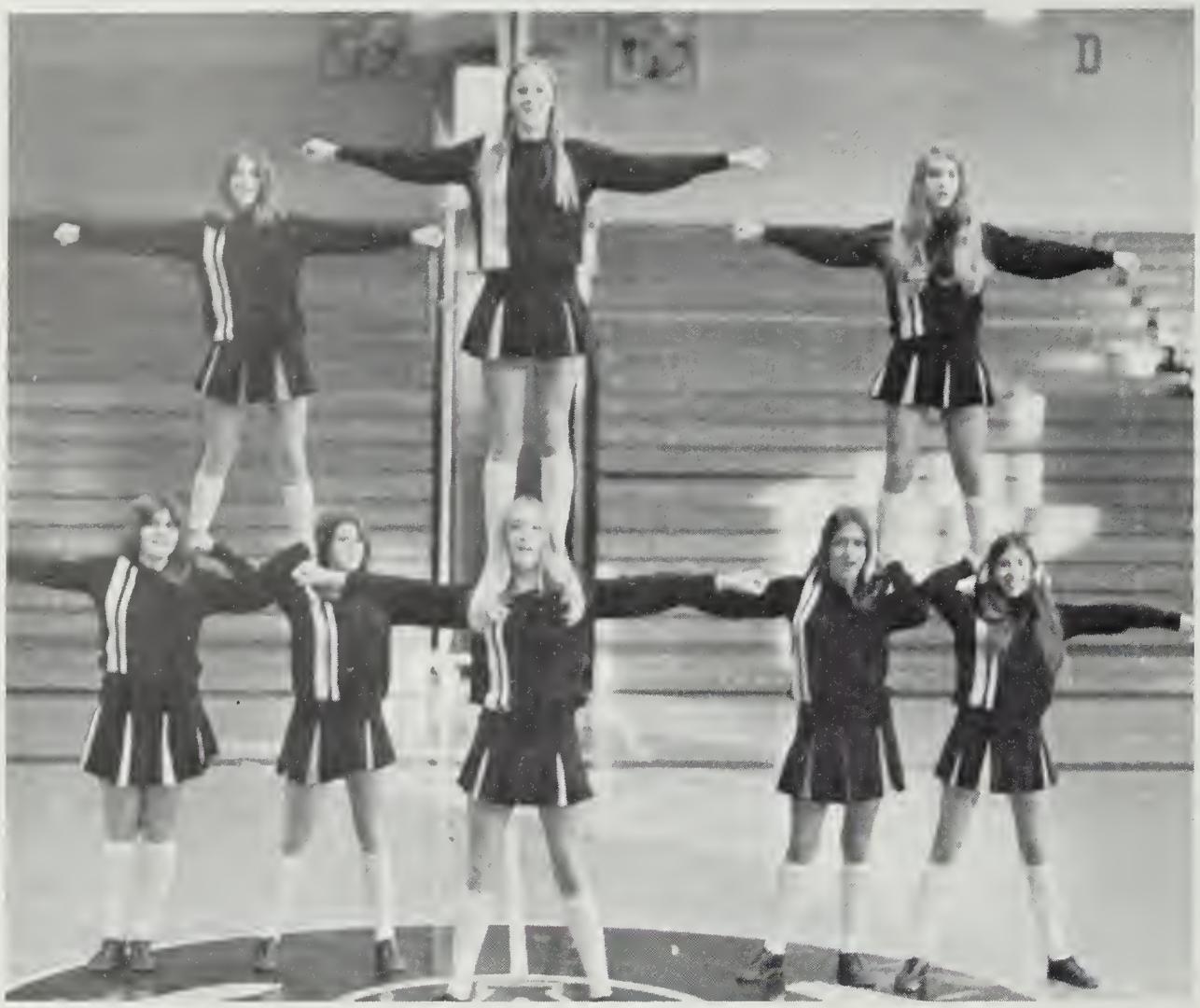
AHS Cheerleaders Recieve Top Award

Cheerleaders

The best squad? You Bet! The cheerleaders proved this when they won the Coca-Cola Award at the N.C.A. Camp in Raleigh, North Carolina. Better yet, Co-captains Alice Morgan and Brenda Wright won the highest award ever given to a cheerleader. The enthusiastic Varsity girls kept the spirit of the players and students soaring by their signs and locker decorations.

TOP LEFT: Susan Barrow, senior, cheers the team on to victory. ABOVE: The Varsity cheerleading squad consists of: Sally Smith, Kathy Moretz, Donna Maiden, Ginny Richards, Charlsie Smith, Brenda Wright, Susan Barrow, and Alice Morgan. TOP RIGHT: Brenda Wright; senior co-captain, leads the crowd in a cheer during time-out. BOTTOM RIGHT: Ginny Richards, junior, keeps the spirit high with a cheer.

TOP LEFT: Kathy Moretz, senior, helps the team by offering spirited support. TOP RIGHT: Alice Morgan, senior co-captain, puts all her spirit into her cheerleading. CENTER RIGHT: Charlsie Smith, junior, displays her talent for acting at a pep rally. BOTTOM LEFT: Miss Judy Wallace and Mrs. Gwen Shaffer are the sponsors of the Varsity Squad. BOTTOM CENTER: Donna Maiden, junior, leads the student body in a cheer during a pep rally. BOTTOM RIGHT: Sally Smith, junior, reflects a winning smile.



Spirited J.V. Squad Wins a Trophy

The Junior Varsity squad began the year with victory. They didn't let anyone "top" them, as they came home with a first place trophy from N.C.A. Camp. Hours of practice were reflected during the year when they helped lead the teams to victory. Their spirited chants proved their never dying support.

TOP LEFT: The Junior Varsity Cheerleaders are Sally Hill, Kari Gardner, Judy Schaffer, Lisa Baldwin, Terry Wade, Lisa Wright, Teresa Wright, and Melanie Harris. TOP RIGHT: Kari Gardner, freshman, pauses to watch the game before continuing to cheer. BOTTOM RIGHT: Judy Schaffer, freshman, displays an enthusiastic expression. BOTTOM LEFT: Miss Beth Watson, the new sponsor for the J.V. squad, prepares lesson plans.

TOP LEFT: Sally Hill, Sophomore, keeps the crowd going with a spirited chant. TOP RIGHT: Leisa Wright, freshman, gives a victory yell. BOTTOM LEFT: Teresa Wright, sophomore captain, demonstrates one of the new cheers. CENTER RIGHT: Melanie Harris, sophomore, leads the crowd in a chant. BOTTOM RIGHT: Lisa Baldwin, freshman, anticipates a winning touchdown.

School Forms New Cheerleading Squad

"We Got It" was a cheer that described the newly formed squad of cheerleaders. The eight spirited "new comers" to Abingdon High reflected pride in their new status. Ann Maiden, Captain, helped teach cheers since they were unable to attend camp. The eighth grade cheerleaders served the football players after practice and sold football programs. The new squad reflected the spirit known to all Abingdon High Cheerleaders, as they offered their support.

TOP LEFT: Audrey Mills chants a loud Falcon cheer. CENTER LEFT: Rhonda McCroskey admires the new score, as she begins her cheer. TOP RIGHT: The Eighth Grade Cheerleading sponsor; Miss Sharon Deel, plans practices for the new squad. BOTTOM LEFT: Mary K. Fields shows pride for the Falcon team. BOTTOM RIGHT: Robin Sarkovics shows enthusiasm after another victory.

TOP LEFT: Tammy Bailey expresses the rising tension resulting from a hard fought game. TOP CENTER: Ann Maiden smiles radiantly as she performs. TOP RIGHT: Kathy Flanary keeps the beat going. BOTTOM LEFT: The Eighth Grade squad consists of: FIRST ROW: Rhonda McCroskey, Ann Maiden, Tammy Bailey, Robin Sarkovics. SECOND ROW: Mary Ruth Hughes, Mary Fields, Kathy Flanary, Audrey Mills, and Marilou Moore. BOTTOM RIGHT: Marilou Moore demonstrates one of her cheerleading stunts.

ABOVE: FRONT ROW: Gale Thompson, Curt Lang, Tony Easterly, Rick Ornduff, George Pope, Gary Gregory, Mike Gregory, Eddie Jordan, Rick McClure, Stan Robinette. SECOND ROW: Rick Shupe, Jim Wilson, John Clark, Mark Ensminger, Don Petty, George Gregory, Rick Anderson, Andrew Hounshell, Danny Brittenham, Larry Robinette, Pat Snead. THIRD ROW: Andrew Allen, Tommy Riddle, Gary Hagy, Ty Cartwright, Joe Johnson, Mark Matheson, Joel Johnson, Don Yates, Mike Barrett, Mike Large, Roscoe Reynolds. FOURTH ROW: Earl Cunningham, Steve Holbrook, Doc Wilson, Tommy Hagy, Howard Morris, Roger Johnson, Phil Shaffer, John Crigger, Roy Crusenberry. FIFTH ROW: Darrius Carbary, Tim Powers, Milton Ross, Dan Richards, Mike Byrd, Rick Price. BELOW: George Pope's fast footwork baffles the opponent.

1972 SCOREBOARD

AHS		OPPONENT
28	Gate City	15
28	Patrick Henry	8
39	Holston	0
6	Va. High	14
0	John Battle	0
20	Chilhowie	19
35	Saltville	6
7	Tazewell	7
6	Richlands	14
14	Grundy	6

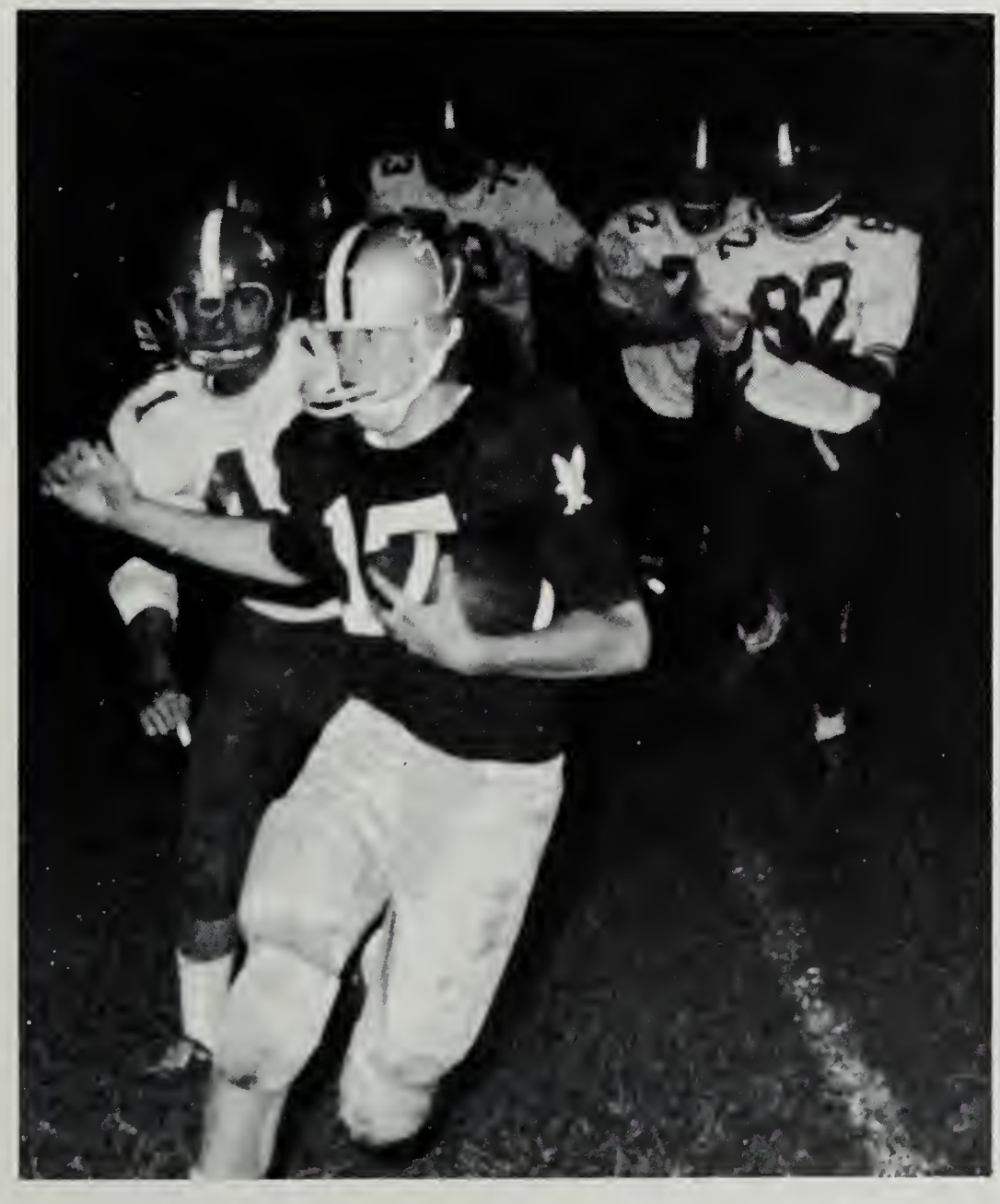
ABOVE: Tommy Riddle centers the ball to quarterback Gale Thompson during an afternoon practice session. BELOW: Gale Thompson seeks a legal receiver downfield.

Falcon Teamwork Creates Superstars

Rain, excitement, teamwork, and victory all reflect one of the best football seasons in years at Abingdon. The Falcons proved to be Superstars from the very beginning. After defeating Gate City in the first game, the spirit of the team, student body, and people of Abingdon soared. Afternoon practices proved to "pay off" as the team charged on to five more victories. Fighting through lightening, and a muddy field, they tied one of their biggest rivals; Battle High. Two senior members, George Pope and Milton Ross, were named to All-Southwest District. The coaching staff consisting of Karl Reedy, Fred Selfe, Bob Buchanan, and Berkley Clear worked hard guiding the team into putting forth the best ever! Head coach, Larry Bales, ended his first season with the Falcons, at 6-2-2- record. We were behind you Big Blue! It was a fantastic season!

AT RIGHT: Curt Lang suffers minor aches, but that is the price for being on a good team. BELOW: Varsity players enjoy a pre-game meal. BOTTOM: Gale Thompson looks for a receiver to carry the ball over the line.

ABOVE: FRONT ROW: George Gregory, John Clark, Mike Barrett, Danny Brittenham, John Crigger, Rick Price, Mike Large, Roy Crusenberry, Larry Robinette. SECOND ROW: Phil Shaffer, Darrius Carbary, Eddie Jordan, Earl Cunningham, Rick Anderson, Mark Ensminger, Howard Morris, Tony Easterly, Steve Holbrook, Roger Johnson. BELOW: Rick Ornduff leads the opponents in a game of follow the leader to the goal line.



JV Spirit Continues Through Season

The spirit of the Junior Varsity football team could not be defeated, even thoug most of the games ended without a victorious score. The "up-coming varsity men" lost their first game to Holston High. Many other defeats continued, but still the team charged on, participating with the best skill possible. Under the direction of head coach, Karl Reedy, time and time again, the Junior Varsity players showed team cooperation by always doing their best and not letting disappointments interfere. With each defeat, the team seemed to grow more determined. They came back at the end of the season to win their last game against Marion, 14-12. The undying glow of the team's flame proved that Falcon power can be true to the end.

J.V. SCOREBOARD

AHS		OPPONENT
0	Holston	6
14	Patrick Henry	42
0	R.B. Worthy	12
0	Va. High	40
2	John Battle	28
0	Gate City	32
14	Marion	12

EIGHTH GRADE SCOREBOARD

AHS		OPPONENT
28	Holston	2
0	Patrick Henry	24
0	Saltville	14
6	Va. High	34
0	John Battle	12
0	Gate City	28
0	Marion	8

TOP RIGHT: Tony Easterly moves the ball as the opponent moves in. ABOVE: Mike Ellison looks for gaps in the opponent's line.

ABOVE: FRONT ROW: Eddie Large, Mike Williams, Matt Smith, Charlie Hutton, Clifton Culbertson, Tommy Phipps, Mark DeBusk, Billy Rowe, Phil Sironko, David Hamilton. SECOND ROW: Tommy Latham, Doug Werth, Mark Hilt, Gary Andis, David Jackson, Ralph White, Doug DeBusk, J. R. Davis, Wayne Ferguson, Brad Thayer. THIRD ROW: Allen Harris, Denny Farmer, Rick Casey, Bob Wilson, J. D. Morris, John Jordan, Antione Anderson, John Woods, Mark Ellison, Bryant Young. FOURTH ROW: Jeff Willis, Tommy Derting, Mike Pierce, Doug Ellis, Mark Humphrey, Wayne Eskridge, Mark Berry, Randy Crusenberry, Kelvin Medley, Richard Murray, Mack Goodman. BELOW: Doug Ellis fights off opponent as he scrambles for a touchdown.

Eighth Grade Team Never Gives up

Spurred with ambition and good intentions the eighth grade football players refused to give up as they battled toward victory. Their first game against Holston High ended 28-2 in favor of the 'baby Falcons." The players faced their next games with pride, but somehow they were defeated in all of them. Nevertheless, they practiced hard; they worked diligently together as a team; they scored in most all the games. Head Coach Rutledge kept the boys "out there doing their best." Falcon power motivated the youngest players to "get up and go again." And again and again, they soared, hoping this game would break the vicious losing streak. But the losing streak was never broken. Our eighth grade players realized that they had a few years left at Abingdon High. So long as the Falcon pride glows, the future has to hold many exciting victories for the youngest football players.

ABOVE: FIRST ROW: Charlton Duty, Barry Matheson, Gale Thompson, George Pope, Clyde Belcher. SECOND ROW: Lewis Harris, Jerry Stewart, Mark Matheson, Dan Richards, Randy Cole, Ray Chitwood, Stan Carter. BELOW: Lewis Harris, Randy Cole, and Mike Byrd practice during pre-game warmup.

1973 SCOREBOARD

AHS		OPPONENT
48	Va. High	45
51	Holston	39
74	Patrick Henry	59
53	John Battle	44
49	Chilhowie	37
39	Gate City	61
49	Holston	42
60	Patrick Henry	61
68	Holston	38
43	Richlands	37
44	Marion	46
49	Graham	55
56	John Battle	46
48	Tazewell	50
51	Patrick Henry	48
62	Grundy	52
62	Gate City	48
55	Va. High	57
50	Chilhowie	60
51	Marion	55

ABOVE: Gale Thompson finds an opening in which to pass the ball to a teammate. ABOVE RIGHT: Jerry Stewart shoots for another two points. BELOW: Mark Matheson attempts a field goal.

Varsity Players Prove to Be Tough

Basketball

All eyes turned to the ball handler as he went in for the shot. His swift precision and the smooth arc of the basketball were the "telling characteristics" as the ball ripped the cords. And so, basketball season came once again for the Falcons. George Pope, Jerry Stewart, Dan Richards, Mark Matheson, and Gale Thompson led the way; as Abingdon whipped up the first five victories. The first game against Gate City proved to be tough, as the Falcons lost 39-61. However, they came back later in the season, slapping Gate City, 62-48. The Falcon team practiced diligently, and with excited determination, won 13 of their 20 games. Even after losing the Washington County Tournament by only one point, the players never gave up. George Pope was chosen for the All Southwest District Team. The pride and spirit which makes up every true Falcon glowed throughout the season.

TOP LEFT: Charlton Duty arcs the ball toward the basket. TOP RIGHT: George Pope demonstrates his ability on the basketball court. BOTTOM: The team cheers their fellow players on to victory.

ABOVE: FIRST ROW: Bob Baldwin, Mike Cumbow, Ricky Anderson, Mike Gregory, Jim Keyser, George Gregory. SECOND ROW: Bob Fern, Tim Powers, Bill Garrett, Bob Derting, Alan Call, Eddie Jordan, Mark Ensminger. BELOW: Alan Call closely guards a Trojan player.

J.V. Team Exhibits Successful Year

The Junior Varsity Basketball Team had a terrific season this year, winning thirteen of their twenty games. Their coach, Gail Rutledge, knew the capabilities of his men and put them to it. This year's Junior Varsity squad reflected what we should expect from our men in the upcoming future. After losing three of their first six games the Junior Varsity squad came back to win their next five games. Being the striving team known to all Abingdon, they won with skill, spirit and determination. The squad won and lost some games by a very small margin, but their skilled defensive and offensive playing established pride for basketball fans.

ABOVE: Mrs. Southerlin, a faculty member, anxiously watches a Junior Varsity game. BELOW: Coach Rutledge gives instructions to his men during a time-out.

1973 J.V. SCOREBOARD

AHS		OPPONENT
21	Va. High	33
49	Holston	39
63	Patrick Henry	14
35	John Battle	37
48	Chilhowie	30
41	Gate City	47
39	Holston	14
47	John Battle	39
21	Holston	14
39	Richlands	37
36	Marion	35
25	Graham	35
37	John Battle	27
26	Tazewell	42
52	Patrick Henry	26
29	Gate City	37
31	Va. High	30
51	Chilhowie	29
38	Marion	28

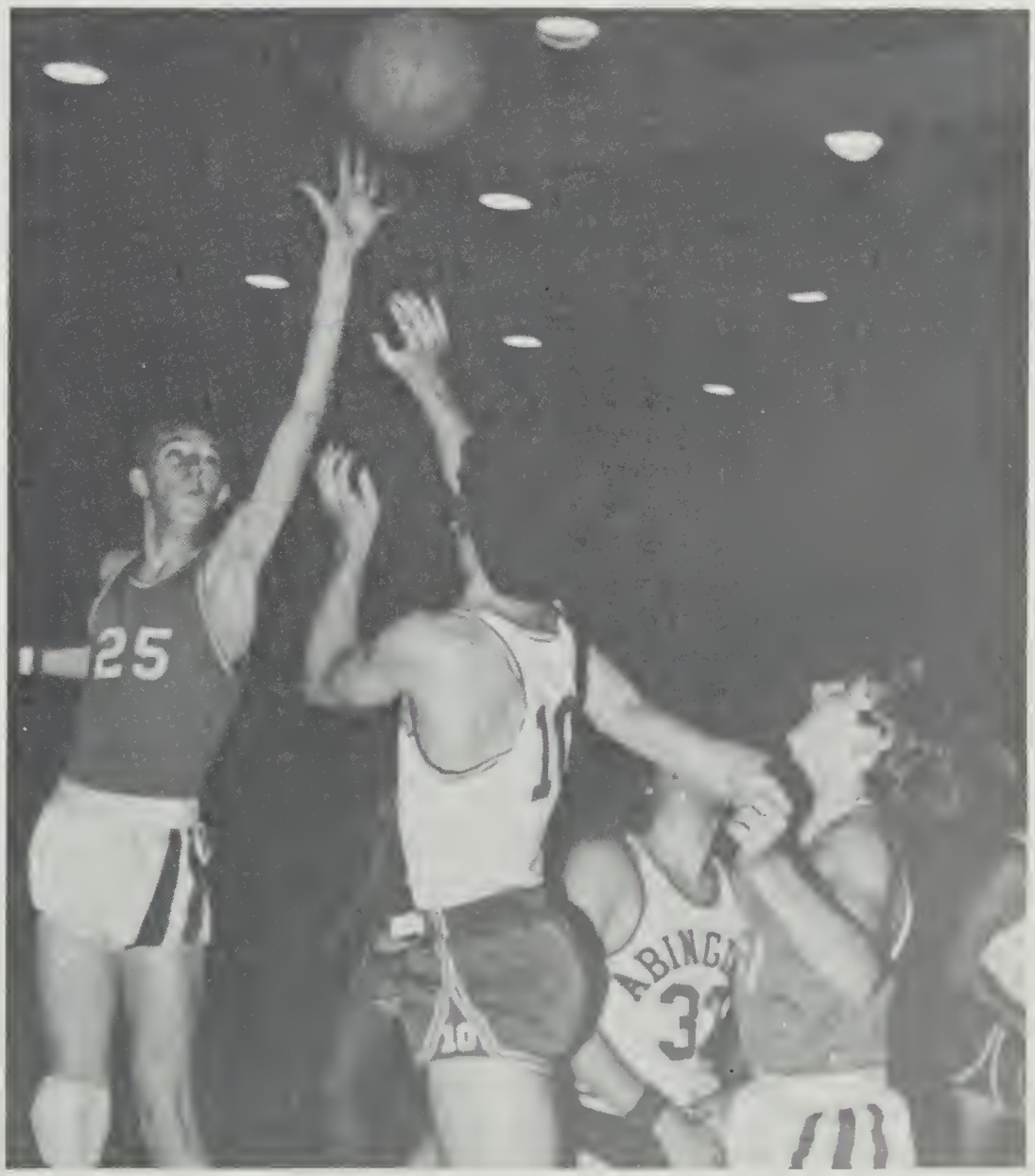
1973 9th GRADE SCOREBOARD

AHS		OPPONENT
38	John Battle	37
29	Va. High	42
40	Marion	30
24	Gate City	45
27	John Battle	41
25	Gate City	39
38	Marion	18

ABOVE: FIRST ROW: George Gregory, Randy Hawk, Bill Leppert, Bill Sweet, David Scott, Zan Fugate, Greg Halsey. SECOND ROW: Steve Holbrook, Jim Keyser, Don Fleenor, Jerry Brownlow, Bob Fern, Mike Cumbow, Rick Price, Mike Canipe, Bryant Thomas, Melvin Clark. BELOW: George Gregory flys high to block a shot.

Ninth Grade Team Profits From Year

Even through defeat the Falcon pride glowed as the Ninth Grade Basketball Team proved that they also had that certain something that is known to all Falcon players. These players learned skills during their first year as a Falcon, but they used this year to acquire even more advanced playing techniques. The ninth grade team gave fans a tense moment during their first game after winning by only a point. Even though most of their games ended in defeat, the players practiced and worked hard in preparation for future years.



ABOVE: FIRST ROW: Mark Humphrey, Matt Smith, Clifton Culbertson, Mike Ellison, Robbie Durrett, Mark Altizer, Fred Goodson, Doug Werth, Shawn Crookshank. SECOND ROW: Rob Campany, Doug Ellis, Jeff Hawley, Tom Phipps, Donny Estep, Kelvin Medley, Denny Farmer, Billy Rowe.

1973 8th GRADE SCOREBOARD

AHS		OPPONENT
28	John Battle	30
29	Va. High	41
40	Holston	39
72	Marion	77
46	Gate City	28
47	Saltville	27
45	John Battle	35
44	Va. High	33
47	Patrick Henry	31
45	John Battle	35
29	Holston	28
39	Patrick Henry	31
	Saltville	
28	Gate City	45
51	Chilhowie	24
41	Marion	46

Eighth Grade Team Has Great Season

The Eighth Grade Basketball Team began their season with two losses, but came back to win a majority of their games. The youngest basketball team at Abingdon High showed fans what to look forward to in the future years. After winning only one game of their first four, they came back hard and fast to win ten of their last twelve games. The Eighth Grade Team proved working together paid off. Coach Reedy inspired team co-operation and spirit. His hours of work and practice with the team, gave the "Baby Falcons" a winning season.

ABOVE: FIRST ROW: David Kitch, John Jenkins, SECOND ROW: Dean Murray, John Arrington, THIRD ROW: John Sheffey, Rodney Wagner, Joey Johnson, Robert Dicks, Andrew Hounshell, Mike Gotham. BELOW: Dean Murray, John Sheffey, Mike Gotham, and Andrew Hounshell placed in the Regional Tournament at Battle High.

Wrestlers Place In Regional Meet

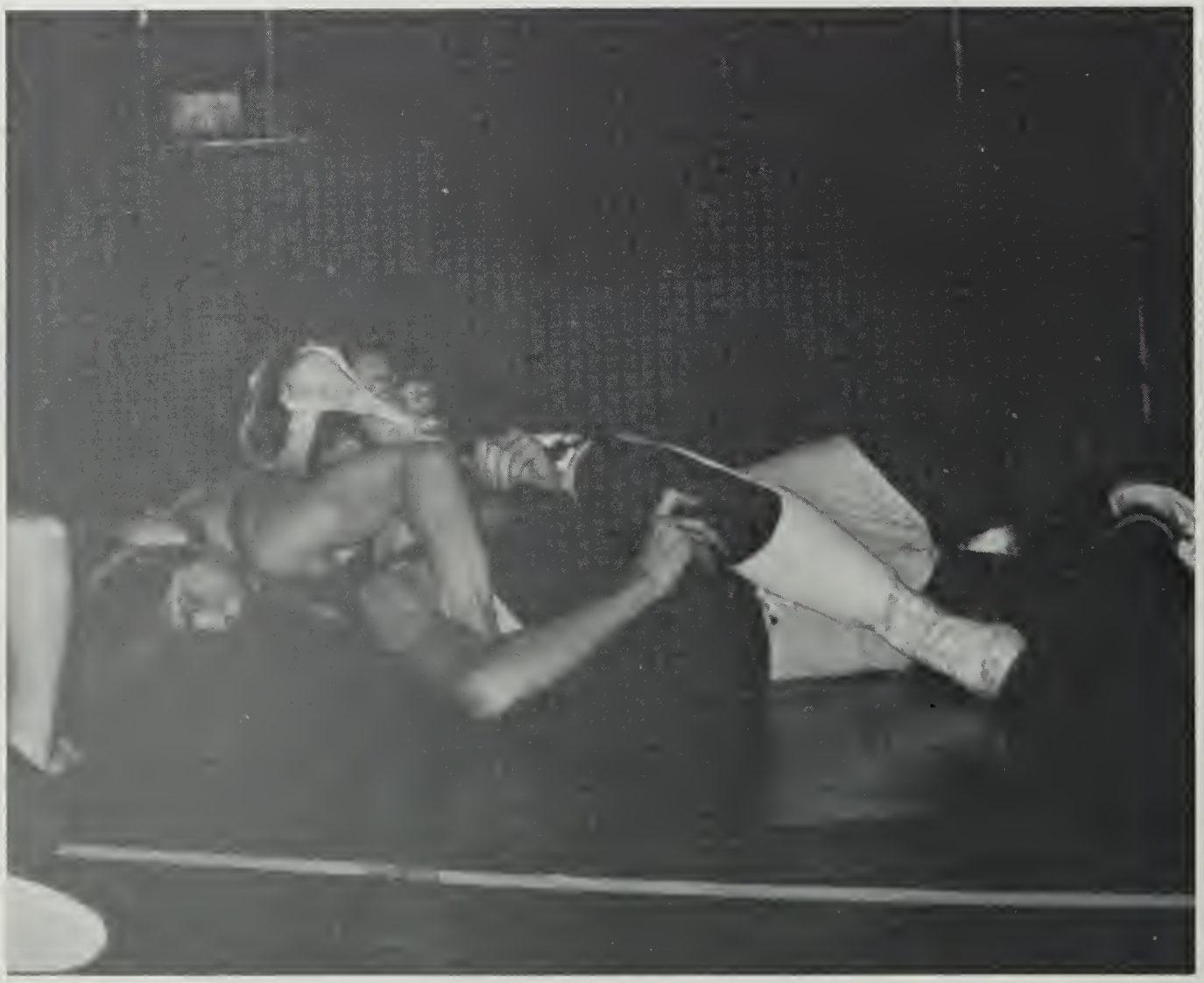
Wrestling

The 1973 Wrestling Team brought excitement to the student body. Andrew Hounshell, Mike Gotham, Dean Murray, and John Sheffey placed in the Regional Tournament. Andrew Hounshell participated in state action. The preliminary Wrestlers did not have a regular season, but wrestled before a varsity match. This year's season proved to be tough, because out of thirteen matches, the Falcons won only five. But the exceptional skills, used by each member made a higher winning score and gave Abingdon a terrific season.

TOP LEFT: Andrew Hounshell, senior, gains points from a "take-down". BOTTOM LEFT: Coach Selfe gives Dean Murray pointers on how to pin his opponent. BOTTOM RIGHT: Dean Murray pins his opponent for another five points.

1973 SCOREBOARD

AHS		OPPONENT
22	Graham	31
20	Holston	37
15	Grundy	36
48	Saltville	12
18	Marion	35
15	John Battle	35
28	Patrick Henry	24
48	Saltville	18
31	Richlands	28
24	Tazewell	30
23	John Battle	31
6	Marion	48
28	Chilhowie	18



TOP LEFT: The Varsity Team and Coach Clear observe a match. TOP RIGHT: John Jenkins struggles to keep his opponent from scoring. BELOW: FRONT ROW: Stephen James, Rick Murray, Howard Morris. SECOND ROW: Phil Shaffer, Gus Janson, and Norman Blankenship.

ABOVE: FIRST ROW: Ed Howard, Bill Leppert, Vaughn Gardner, Gale Thompson. SECOND ROW: Jim Broyles, Mike Canipe, Stan Carter, Andrew Hounshell. THIRD ROW: Bob Nelson, Eddie Jordan, Ricky Anderson, Joel Johnson. FOURTH ROW: Milton Ross, Randy Cole, Mike Gotham. BELOW: Eddie Jordan winds up to hurl the shotput.

Varsity Men Win County Tournament

Track

Flying colors describe the varsity track team as they came through this year's season with numerous winnings. Under the direction of coaches Berkley Clear and Bob Buchanan, the track men had a good season. Even though Abingdon started out slowly by losing their first meet to Marion Sr. High, they won the next three against Virginia High, Holston, and East High. The Abingdon Relays was held at Abingdon this year with twelve schools in competition. The Falcon team received second place honors. Randy Cole was named the Most Valuable performer in the track meet, as he broke the school record in both the 120-yard high hurdles and intermediate hurdles. The track team was small in man count, but didn't fall short of man power.

1973 SCOREBOARD

Abingdon, Marion, Ervinton
60 91 10

Abingdon, Va. High, Rich Valley, Tazewell
$80\frac{1}{2}$ 63 39 $64\frac{1}{2}$

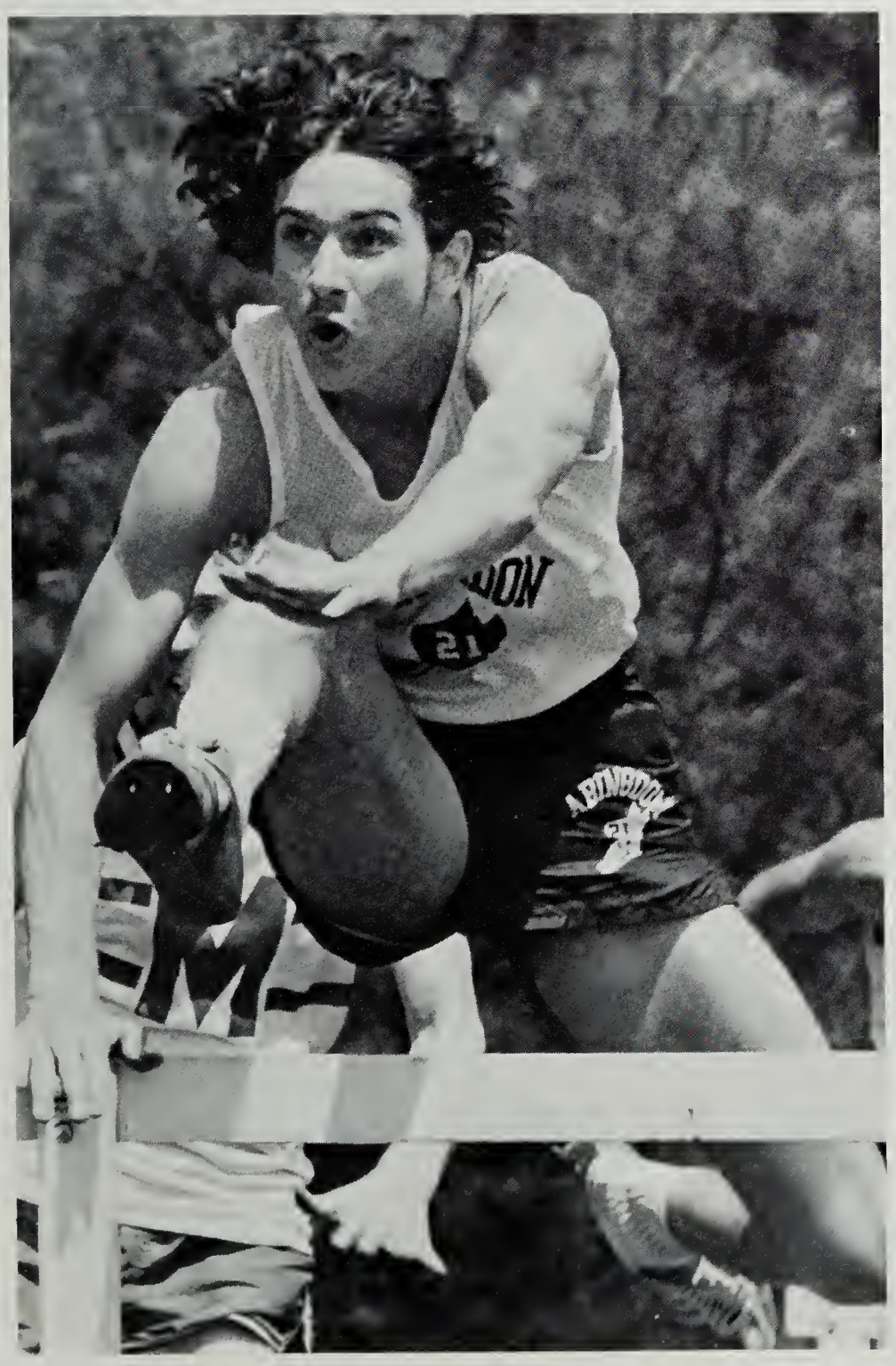
Abingdon, Holston
91 45

Abingdon, East High
90 46

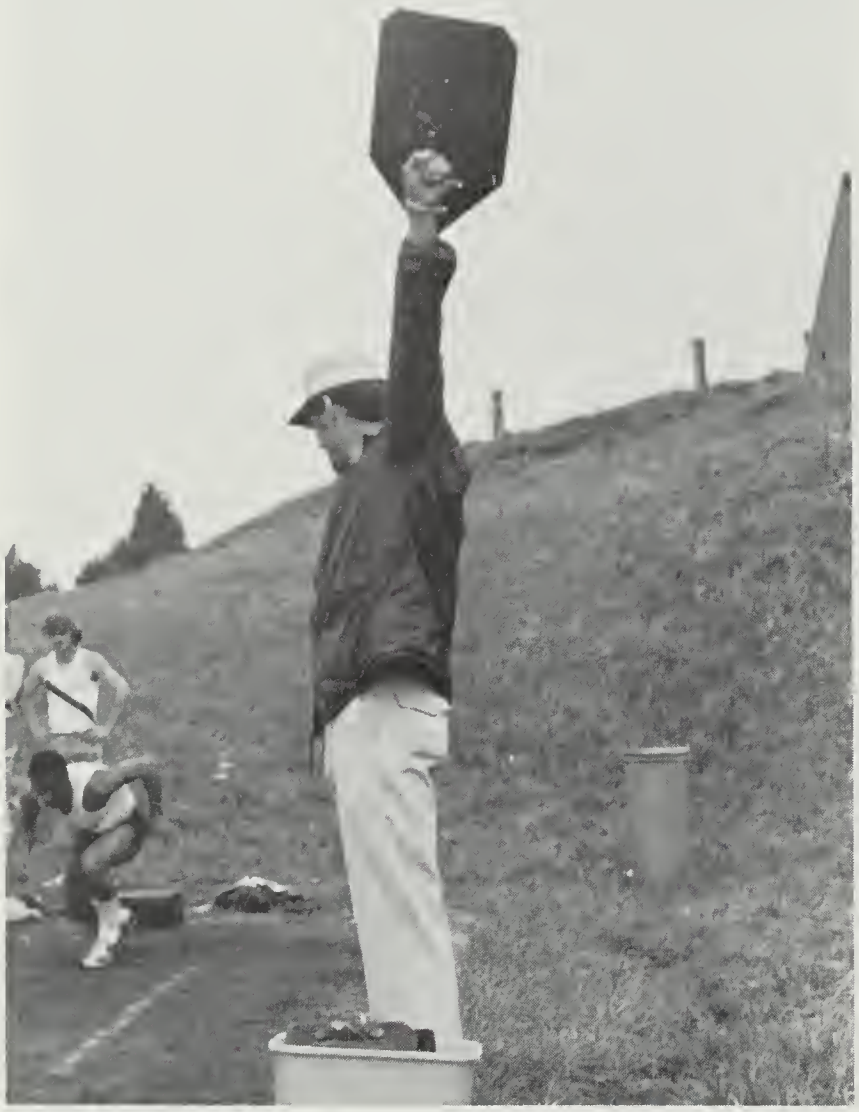
Abingdon Relays
Marion, Abingdon, Pulaski, Powell Valley
$51\frac{1}{2}$ 38 $29\frac{1}{2}$ $26\frac{1}{2}$

Washington County Tournament
Abingdon, Patrick Henry, Holston, John Battle
$86\frac{1}{2}$ 84 39 $31\frac{1}{2}$

District Tournament Third Place



ABOVE: Mike Gotham and Mike Canipe fly over the intermediate hurdles during an afternoon practice session. LEFT: Randy Cole, Most Valuable Performer, leaves the other hurdlers benind. BELOW: Randy Cole and Joel Johnston pour on the steam to better their time during practice.



ABOVE LEFT: The starters gun is the beginning of all good races. TOP RIGHT: Vaughn Gardner clears the pole vault with a breeze. BELOW LEFT: Mike Gregory is putting in the extra effort to cross the finish line. ABOVE: Andrew Hounshell lines up with the East High members to start the 100 yard dash.

ABOVE: FIRST ROW: John Jordon, Randy Watson, Fred Goodson, Melvin Clark, Bill Leppert. SECOND ROW: Mike Ellison, Shawn Crookshank, Marty Berry, Ed Patterson. THIRD ROW: James Byrd, Bob Fern, Kelvin Medley, Denny Farmer. FOURTH ROW: J.R. Davis, Frank Higgins, Mike Canipe. FIFTH ROW: Tom Phipps, Carl Hankla. BELOW: Frank Higgins demonstrates his technique of going over the high jump.

Inexperienced Men Gain Needed Skills

The Junior Varsity track team consisted of twenty-five unexperienced but spirited men competing with other schools. There were only four regular meets this year, but the experience they contributed added to the skills of the participants. Some of the Junior Varsity men practiced additional skills as they took part in numerous varsity meets. The young Falcons competed against Patrick Henry High, Marion, John Battle, and Holston High. Even though they worked hard, they were defeated in all four. Coach Rutledge encouraged his men to put forth their best and always keep the Falcon spirit!

1973 SCOREBOARD

Abingdon, 55½	Patrick Henry, 59½	Marion 42
Battle, 64	Holston 21	
Abingdon, 59	Patrick Henry, 72½	Holston 27½
Abingdon, 47½	Patrick Henry, 58	Marion 52½
Battle, 66		
Abingdon, 57	Marion, 60	Holston 42

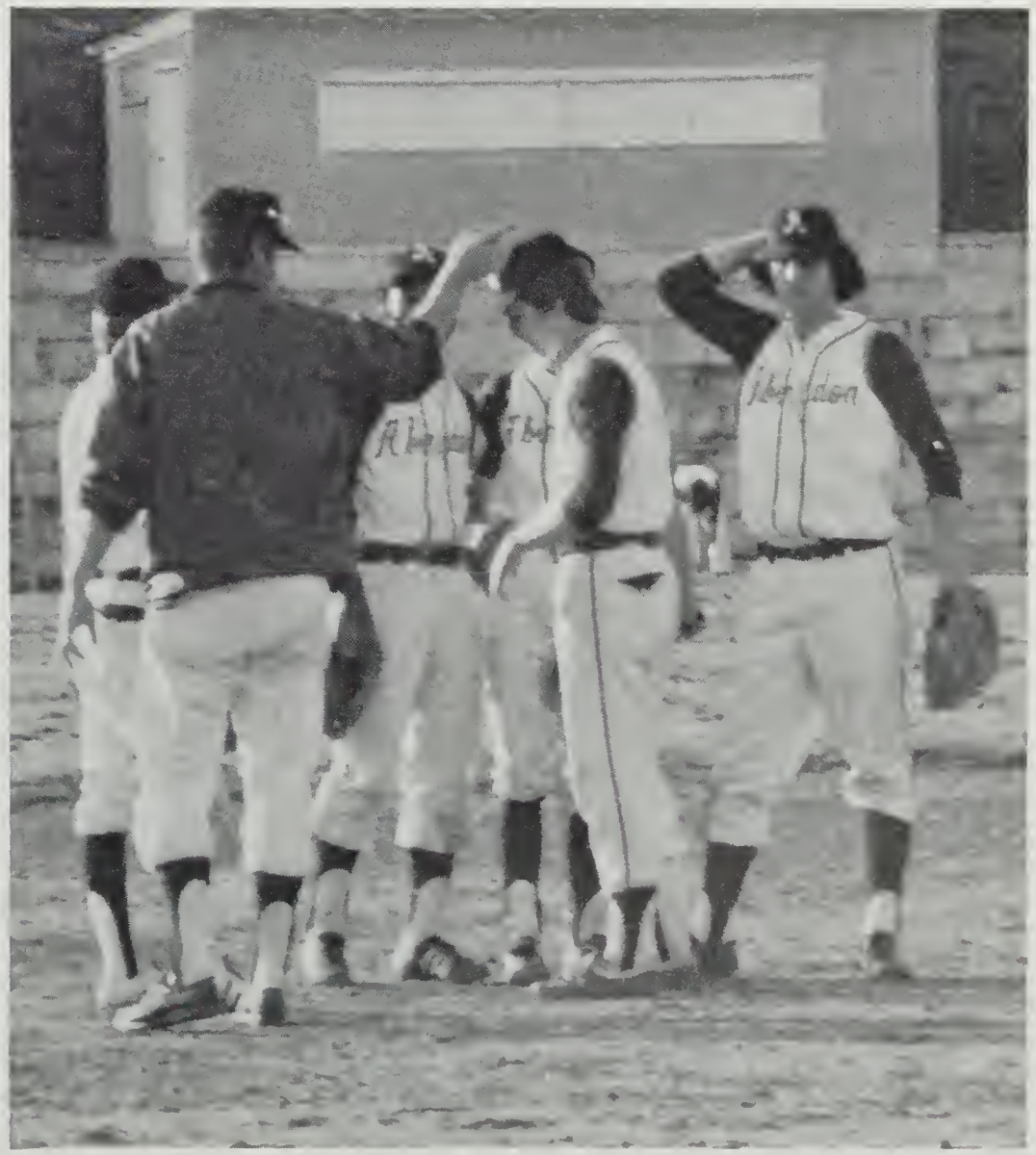
ABOVE: Mark DeBush hurls the shot-put hoping for a winning distance. LEFT: John Jordan waits his turn to pole vault during an afternoon meet. BELOW: Bob Fern uses all his strength to gain the vital distance to win.

ABOVE; FIRST ROW: Danny Widner, Mike Gregory, George Pope, Gary Hagy, Barry Matheson. SECOND ROW: Coach Buchanan, Larry Rhoten, Dan Hickok, Jerry Stewart, Allen Call, Doc Wilson, John Hannah, Ray Warren, Coach Bishop. BELOW: Coach Buchanan talks to the infield players during a home game.

Lots of Practice Makes a Good Team

Baseball

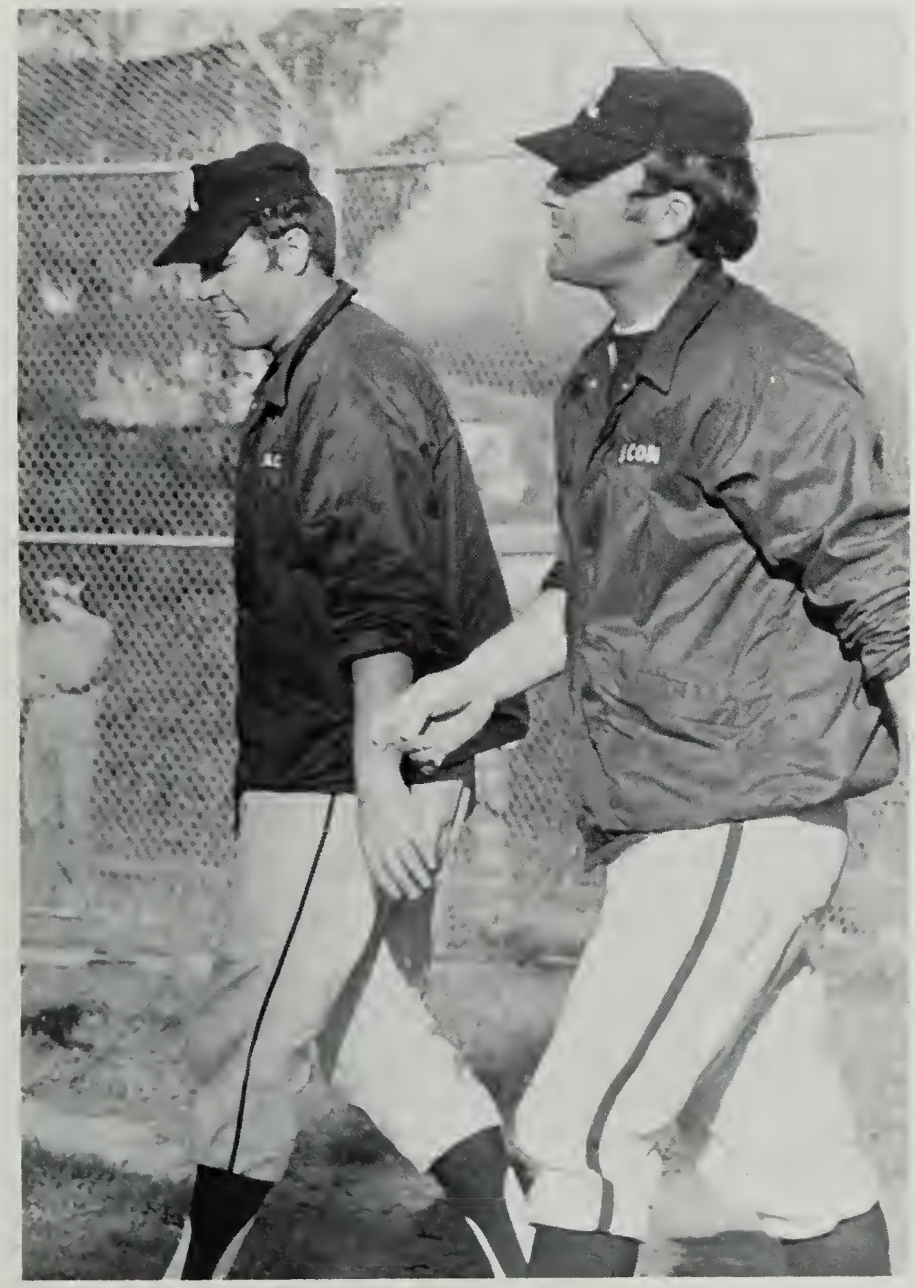
Abingdon High's varsity baseball team had a good season this year, with a 7-4 win-lose record. Even though the Falcons had a slow start by losing their first two games, they bounced back to win seven of the next nine games. The varsity baseball team practiced every afternoon when they didn't have a game. When it wasn't raining, the whole team practiced; but if it was raining, the players spent practice time in the gym. Coaches Jerry Bishop and Bob Buchanan were proud of performances of the team during a game. They knew a team that worked together could play together to win a game together and in many cases they did.



1973 SCOREBOARD

AHS		OPPONENT
0	Chilhowie	2
1	Va. High	11
11	Holston	1
7	Patrick Henry	1
4	John Battle	5
2	Holston	1
2	Va. High	1
11	Marion	12
4	Patrick Henry	0
5	Ketron	1
23	Marion	1
2	Gate City	5
0	John Battle	6
5/5	Graham	7/1
2	Beaver	1
2	Castlewood	4
-	SW District	-

TOP RIGHT: Jimmy Keyser warms up before a game. BOTTOM LEFT: David Thompson, team manager, looks on hopefully. BOTTOM RIGHT: Jerry Stewart is ready for the next play.

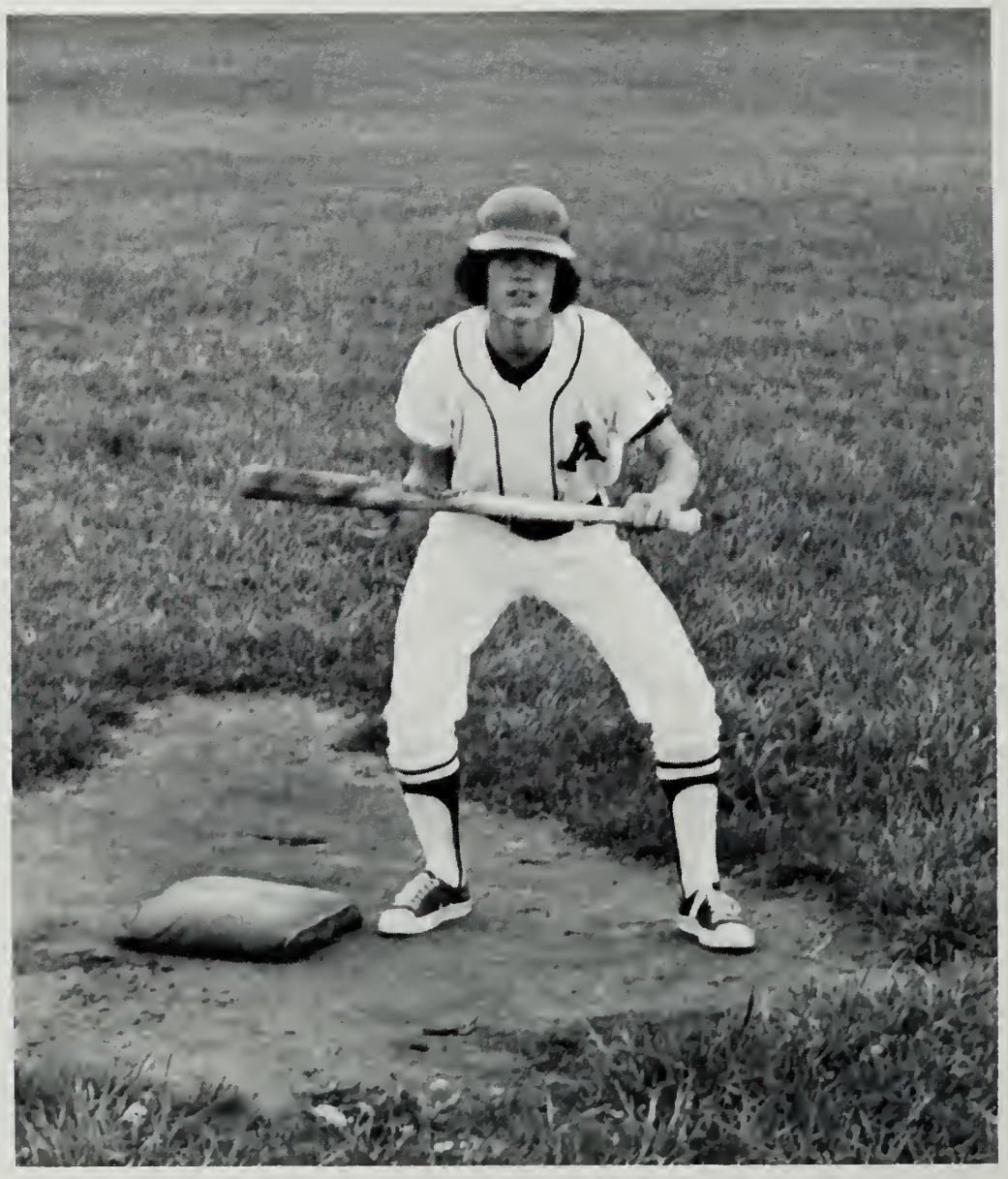


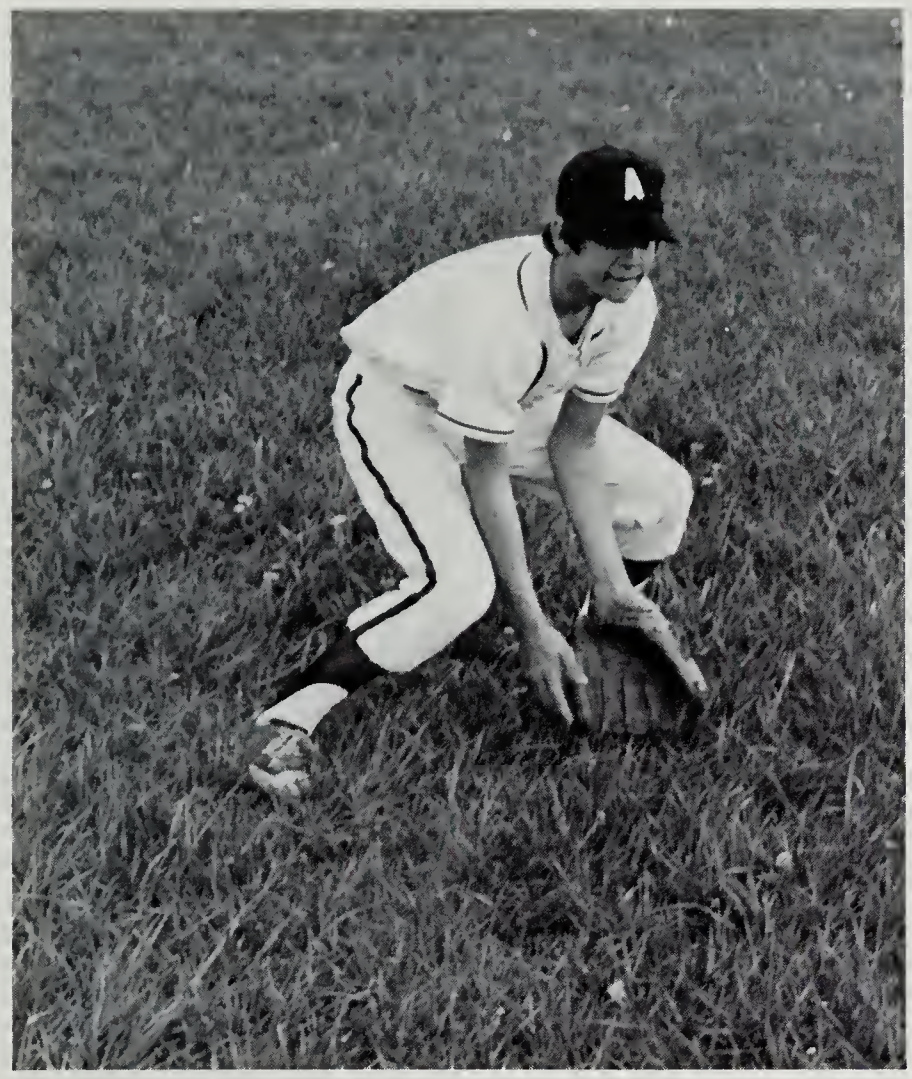
TOP LEFT: Larry Rhoten helps the pitcher warm up before a game. TOP RIGHT: Dan Hickok prepares to bat. BOTTOM LEFT: Coaches Buchanan and Bishop take their position on the sideline. BOTTOM RIGHT: Doc Wilson takes a driving swing.

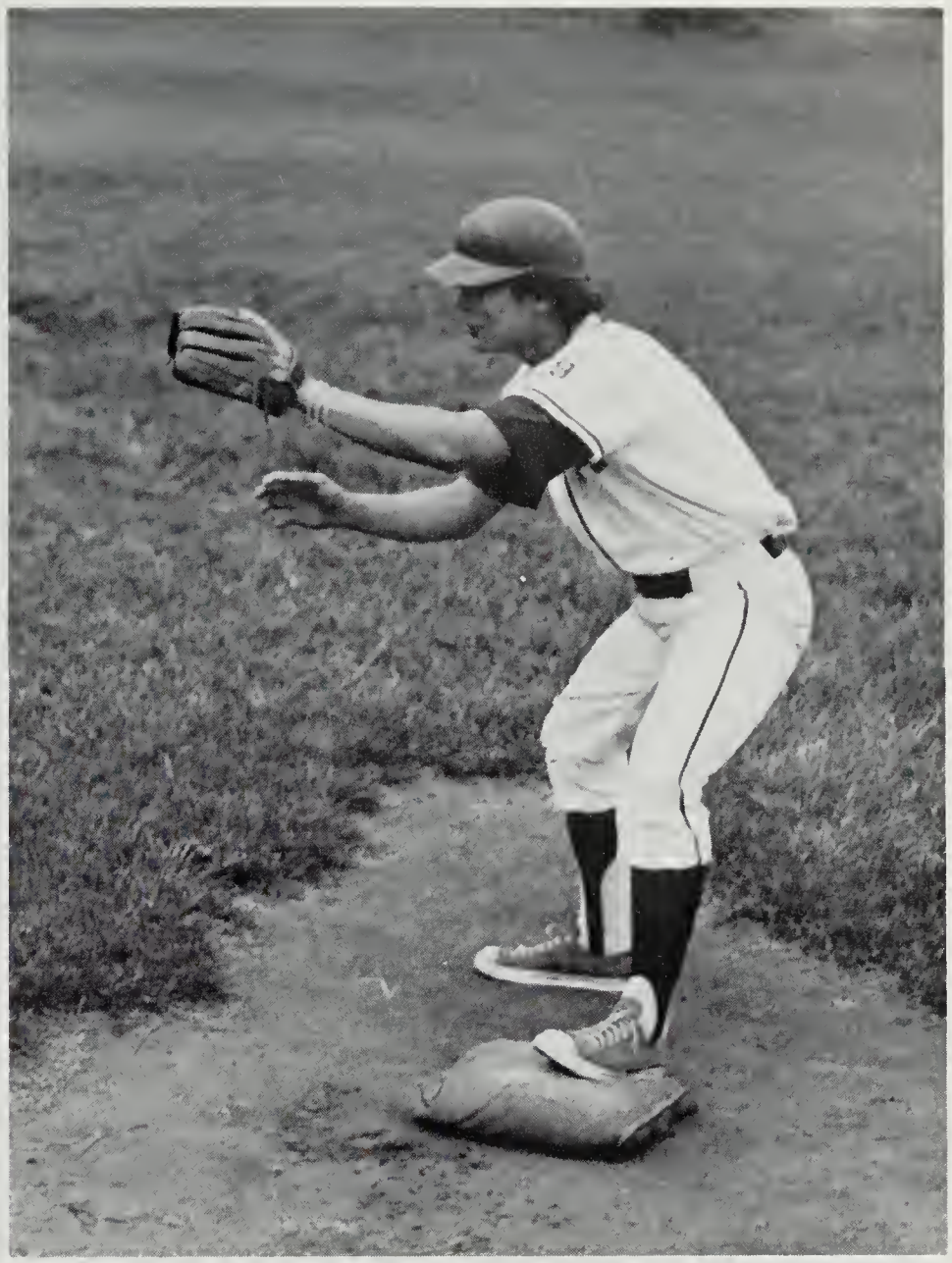
ABOVE: FIRST ROW: Bob Fern, John Crigger, Paul Arrington, Doug Ellis, David Campbell. SECOND ROW: Ken Chittum, Mike Tate, Greg Halsey, Jerry Anderson. THIRD ROW: Micky Buchanan, Eddie Jordan, Bill Garrett, Joey Johnson, John Clark. FOURTH ROW: Larry Parris, Tim Powers, Darrius Carbary, Marty Berry. BELOW: Tony Easterly bunts the ball hoping to get a base hit.

J.V. Baseball Team Keeps Improving

The Junior Varsity baseball team began the season with a victory over Battle High. The Falcons lost the second game against them by a wide mar gin; however, they came back to win the next two games against Castlewood and Virginia High. Coach Karl Reedy practiced with the team, and urged them to put forth their best skills. The eighteen members of the team worked hard and tried to improve their next three games. They won another game before the season ended. At the closing of the baseball season, the team had a 4-9 win-lose record. The newly acquired skills of the young players and the experience they gained would enable them to perform for the Falcon teams in the future.





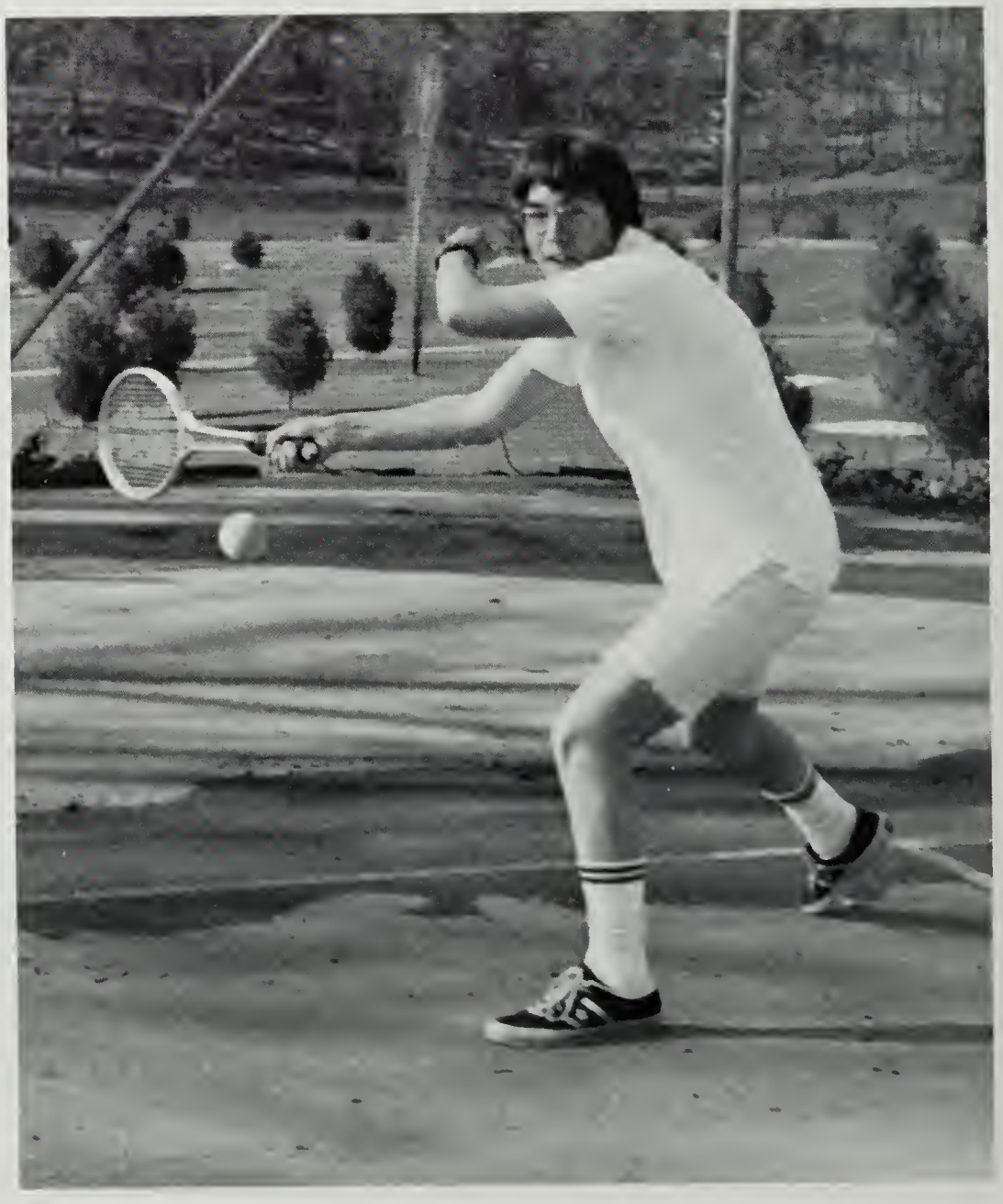


ABOVE: John Crigger stoops low to catch a ground ball. RIGHT: Darrius Carbary keeps a watchful eye out for any chance to get an opponent out. BELOW: Bob Fern slides into second base.

1973 SCOREBOARD

AHS		OPPONENT
8	John Battle	3
0	John Battle	9
14	Castlewood	2
5	Va. High	2
1	Va. High	8
3	John Battle	12
2	John Battle	16
5	Va. High	2
3	Va. High	7

ABOVE: FIRST ROW: Karl Lorenz, Don Fleenor, Mark Rice, Bill Sweet, Brad Schaffer, Brad Wright. SECOND ROW: Ray Chitwood, Dave Kitch, John Arrington, Wayne Holliday, Greg Ownes, Jim Bowden, Keith Peters. BELOW: Wayne Holliday uses the forward swing to get the ball back to his opponent.



First Tennis Team Gains Experience

Tennis

Tennis matches began at Abingdon High for the first time this year, and the players put forth the determination known to all Falcons. Coach Mike Lethcoe worked with thirteen participants before choosing the seven starters; Greg Owens, Jim Bowden, Ray Chitwood, John Arrington, Dave Kitch, Keith Peters, and Wayne Holliday. Practice sessions were often interrupted by rain and snow, and the players had to compete against more experienced teams. But this still didn't let the Falcon spirit be defeated. They began the season with two matches against Tennessee High. Next they went up against Lynn View High, and ended the season with two matches against Patrick Henry. Unfortunately, the Falcon net-men were defeated in all their matches, but they gained valuable experience which would be necessary in future years.

1973 SCOREBOARD

AHS		OPPONENT
0	Tenn. High	9
0	Tenn. High	9
4	Lynn View	5
4	Patrick Henry	5
1	Patrick Henry	8
6	Lynn View	3
1	Va. High	8

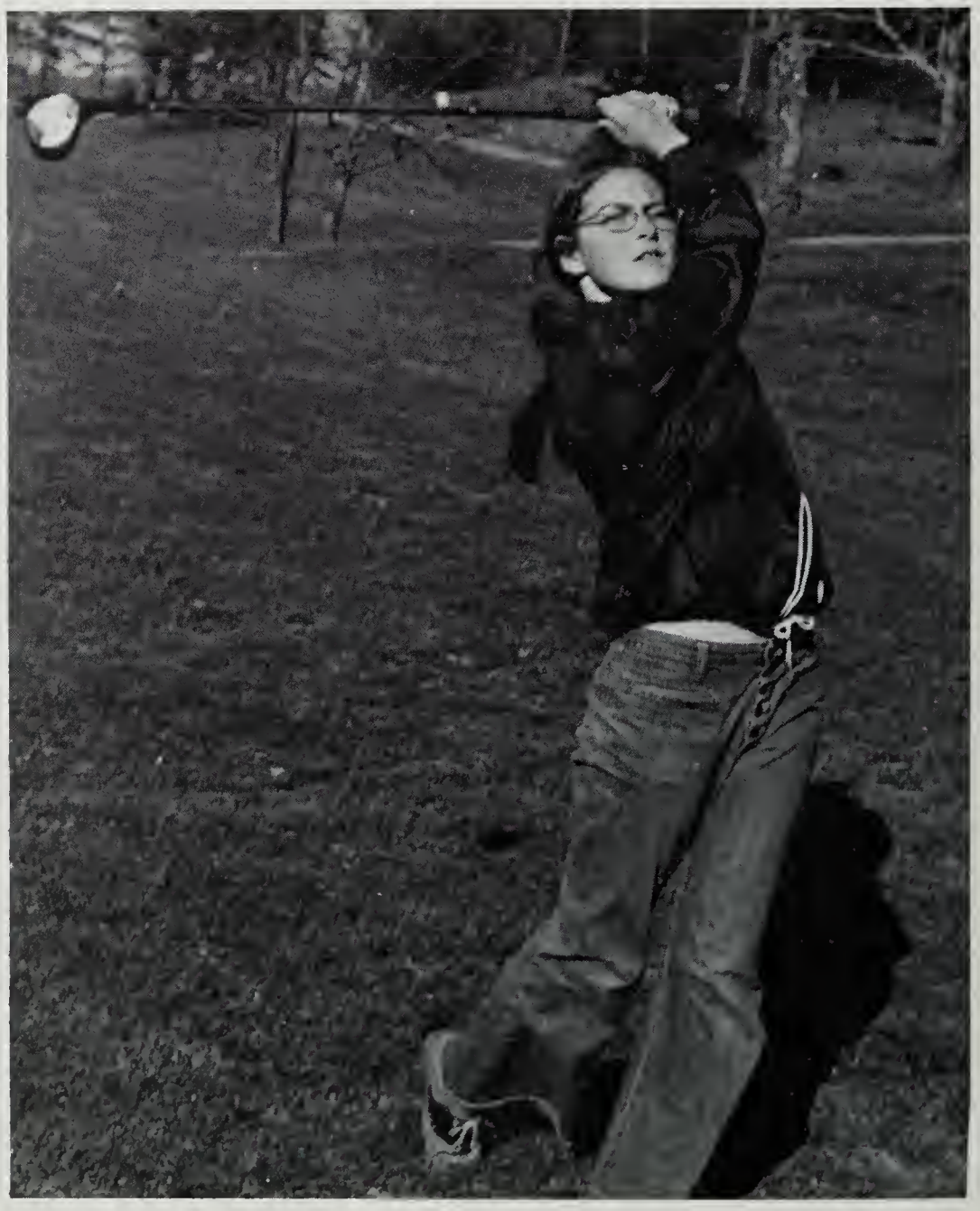
ABOVE: Greg Owens jumps the net to congratulate his opponent on a well played game. BELOW LEFT: Jim Bowden keeps his eye on the ball while serving. BELOW: Ray Chitwood's forward swing comes in handy when shots are beyond arm length.

ABOVE: FIRST ROW: Mark Ensminger, Bob Baldwin, Herbie Ellis, Steve Holbrook, Gus Janson. SECOND ROW: Ed Sheffield, Buster Janson, Teresa Cunningham, Don Holtsinger, Mark Seaman, Gary Gregory, Rick Ornduff. BELOW: Teresa Cunningham, the only girl on the team, follows through on the drive.

Golf Team Admits Female Player

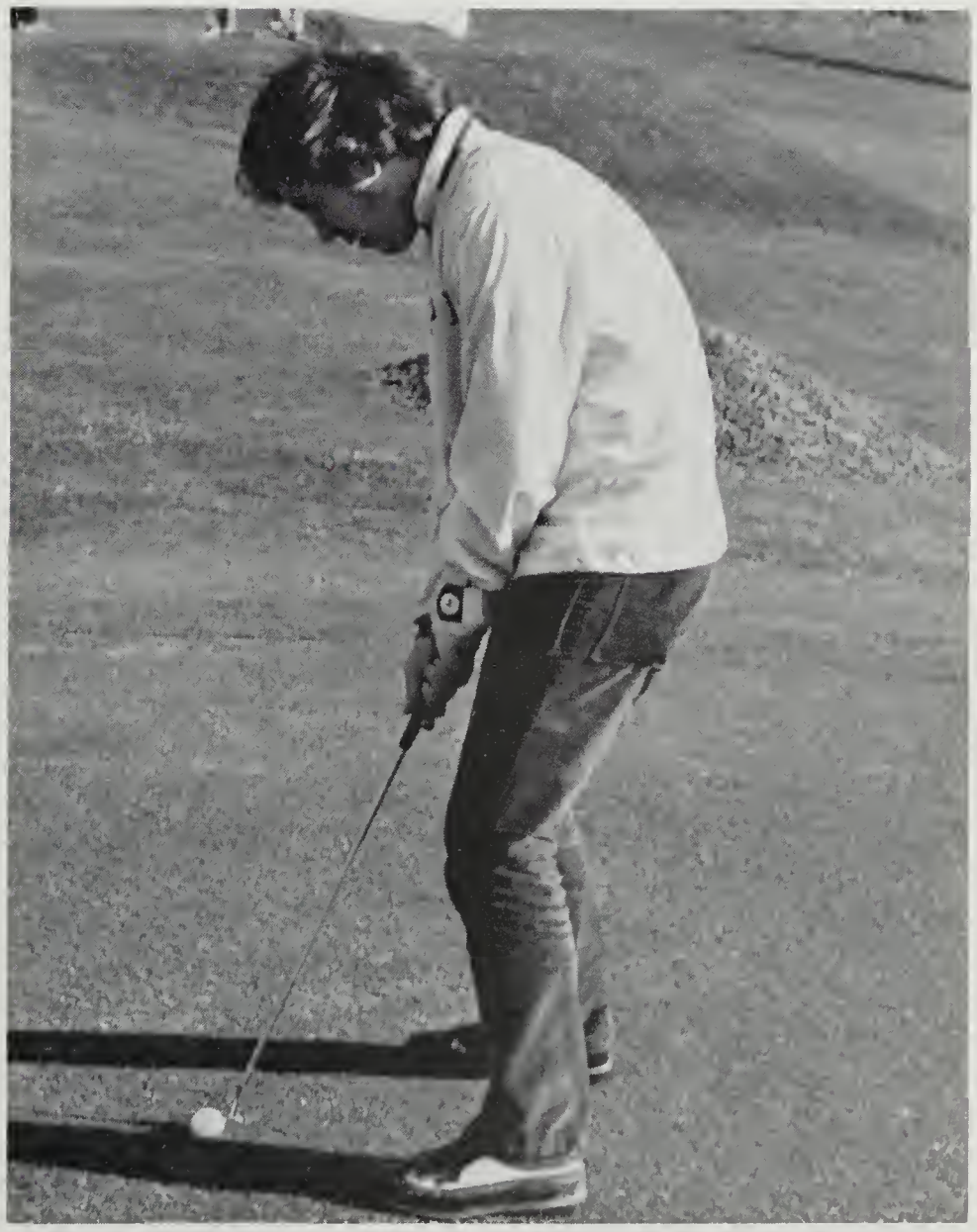
Golf

"All males" usually describes the golf team of past years, but this year it was different. The golf team had, in addition to the new coach, Larry Bales, their first girl participant. Teresa Cunningham really proved to be talented. A few players from former years including Buster Janson, Rick Ornduff, and Don Holtsinger returned to play. But with only three experienced players, the team had a tough time. However, they performed beautifully in the Washington County Tournament and finished second. Coach Bales held regular practice sessions at Glenrochie Country Club, even though bad weather hindered the team frequently. The Falcon golfers always put their best foot forward after the best swing possible. Eleven men golfers and one girl worked diligently for themselves, the enjoyment of the sport, and especially for the school.

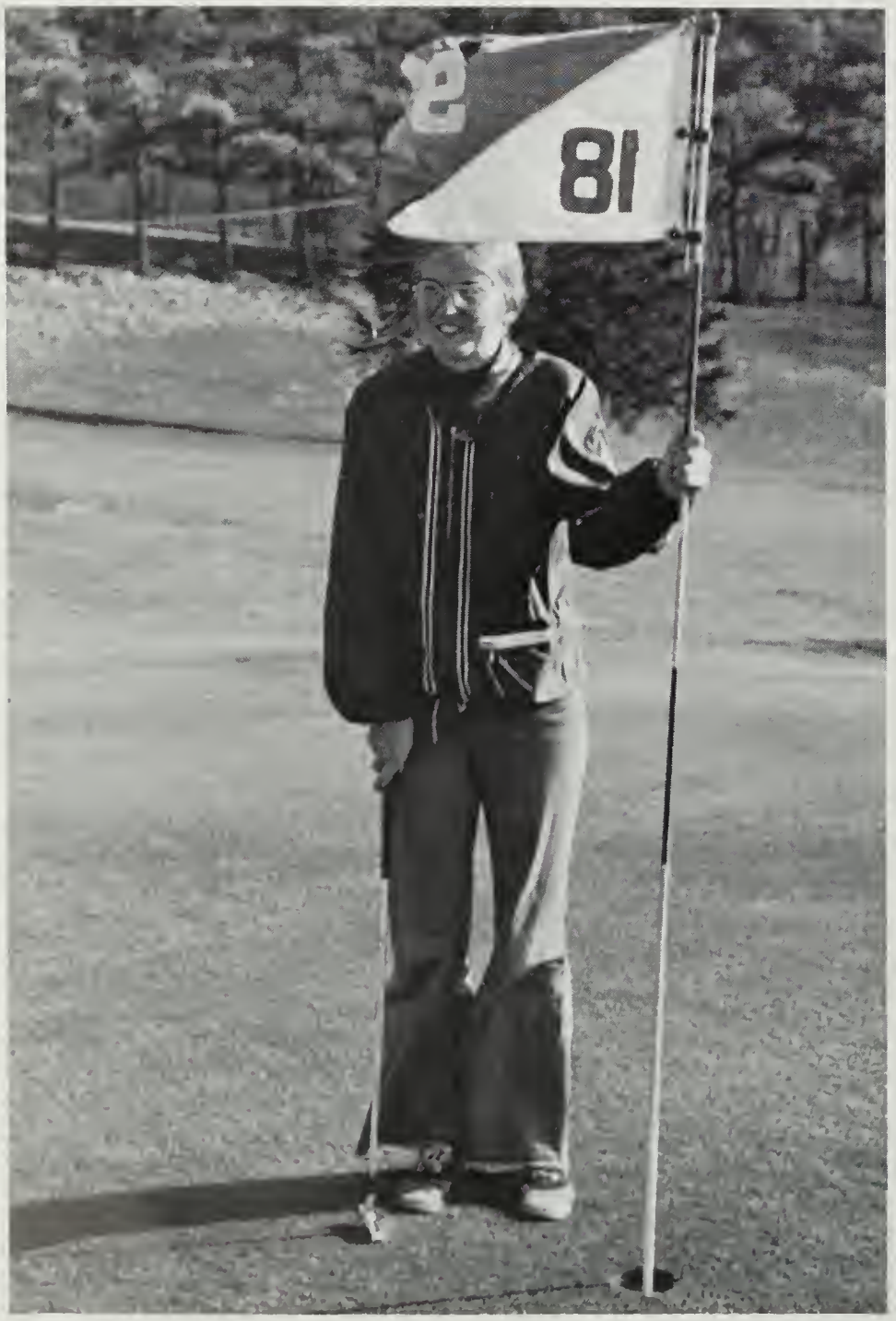


1973 SCOREBOARD

AHS		OPPONENT
W	Castlewood	L
L	Saltville	W
W	Chilhowie	L
W	Patrick Henry	L
W	Castlewood	L
W	Holston	L
L	John Battle	W
L	Marion	W
L	Saltville	W
W	Chilhowie	L
W	Patrick Henry	L
L	Va. High	W
L	Marion	W
L	Battle	W
L	SW District	W



ABOVE LEFT: Gary Gregory proves his skills as he gets from the sandtrap to the green. RIGHT: Buster Janson keeps his eye on the ball after he follows through on the swing. ABOVE: Mark Seaman, with a steady hand, putts the ball for a par.



ABOVE LEFT: Buster Janson practices with an iron to improve his score. ABOVE RIGHT: Coach Larry Bales watches all players carefully to help them in any way he can. BELOW LEFT: Teresa Cunningham holds the pin for a fellow golfer. BELOW RIGHT: Rick Ornduff improves his putting form to keep his handicap down.

Sports Among Girls Becomes Popular

Girls' Sports

You've come a long way, baby! That's what happened to the girls at Abingdon High this year. They formed teams and competed in basketball, ping-pong, badminton, and volleyball. Intramurals were usually held before school and during Girl's Athletic Association meetings. Miss Faris worked with the girls in various sports. Mrs. Shaffer and Miss Wallace coached the Girl's Track Team. Unlike the other girls sports, the women track members participated in competition with other schools, including John Battle High, Patrick Henry High, Holston, Central, and Church Hill. The girls never let their spirit die, but were defeated in all their meets. They practiced with determination and spirit as they ran dashes, jumped hurdles, and pole-vaulted. This year gave the girls the chance to practice and start preparing for future years.

ABOVE: FIRST ROW: Linda Tomlinson, Jackie Whiteaker, Cathy Tomlinson, Nancy Phipps, Rhonda Engle, Mary Jo Johnson, Hope Wheeler. SECOND ROW: Cindy Harris, Vicky Heisler, Linda Ross, Martha Whiteaker, Joan James, Cindy Heisler. THIRD ROW: Janet Sweet, Debbie Durrett, Angie Rasnick, Leesa Roe, Mary Jane Sweet, Carol Wilson. FOURTH ROW: Audrey Mills, Gail Johnson, Vicky Anderson, Cathy Moretz, Barbara Widener, Nineen Tweed. BELOW: Susan Price, Ping-pong Champion, proves it with her style.

TOP RIGHT: Cindy Harris and Amy Stringer compete in ping-pong for the team championship. BOTTOM LEFT: Diane Graham tosses the ball for a jumpball between Chris Myers and Gail Johnson. RIGHT: Several girls watch the basketball game from the sideline.

1973 SCOREBOARD

Abingdon, John Battle	
39	61
Abingdon, Central	
44	58
Abingdon, Patrick Henry	
$22\frac{1}{2}$	$77\frac{1}{2}$
Abingdon	Holston

TOP LEFT: Mardia Bradley serves the ball during "before school" competition. ABOVE: Joan James takes her aim to sink a free-throw.

Reflections of Participation

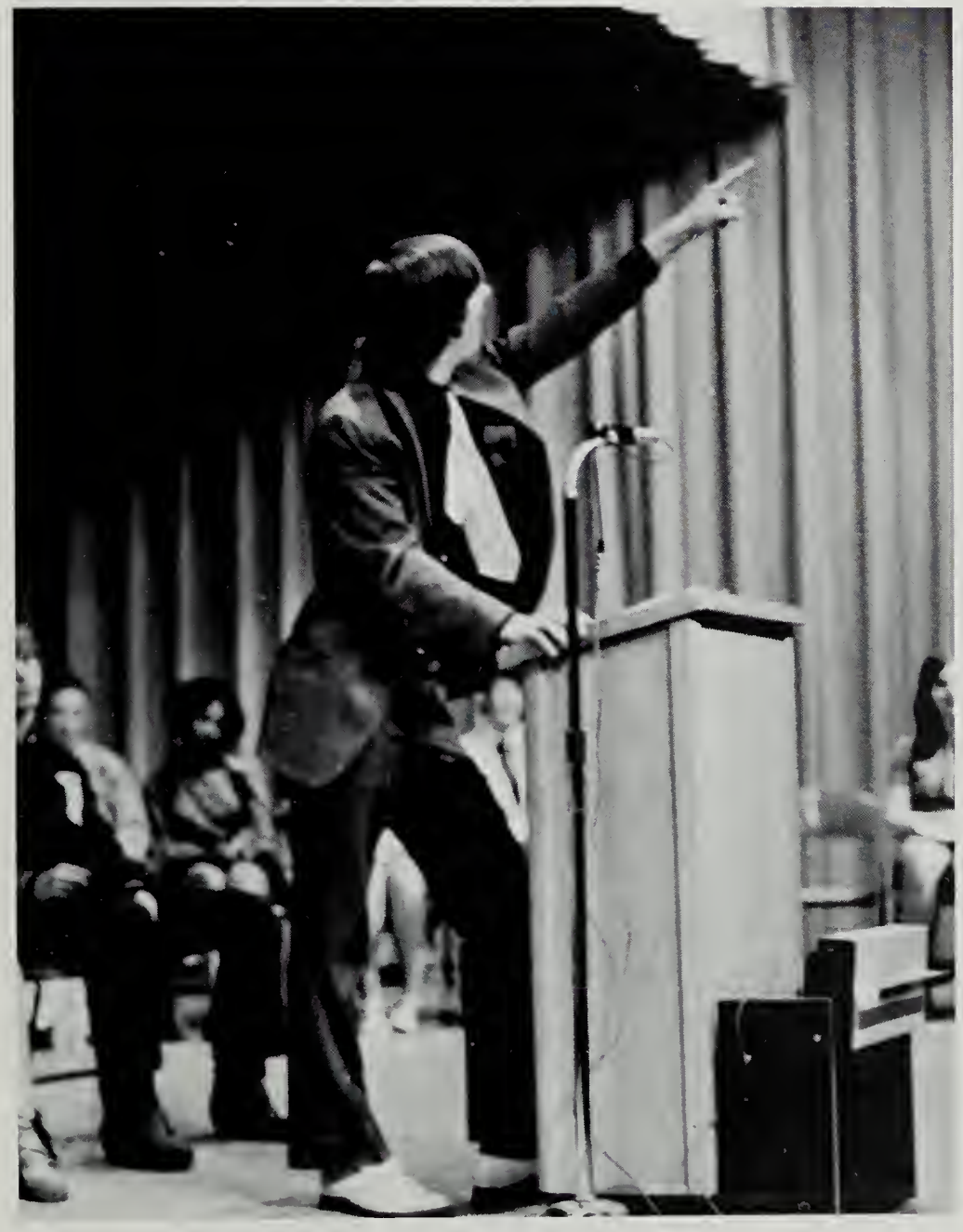
As Edited by: Beula Price

S.C.A. Holds Door Decoration Contest

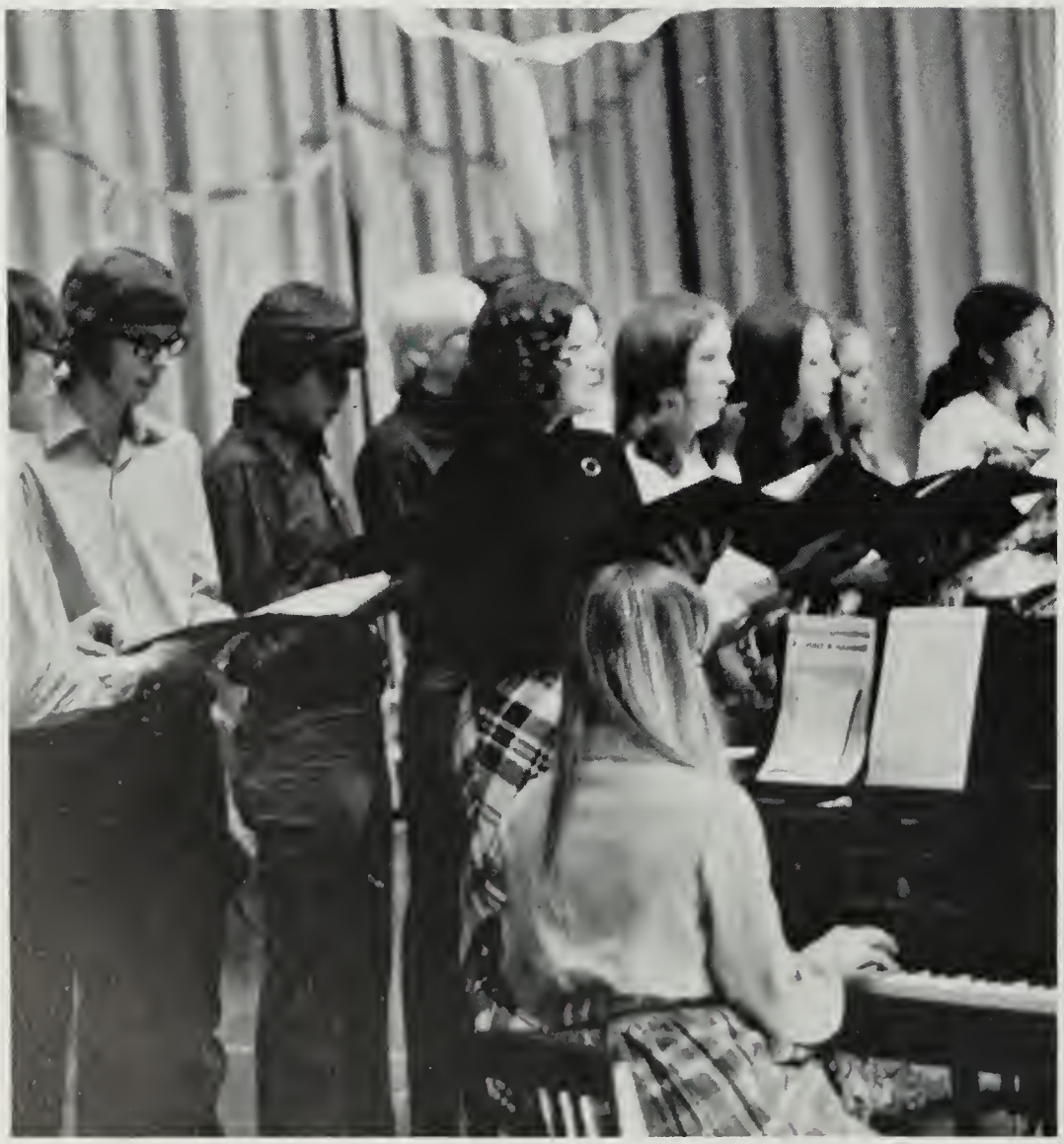
S.C.A.

Sponsoring Homecoming activities kept the S.C.A. council busy at the beginning of school. The association worked to provide school leadership and to serve as a council representing the student body. They held a contest before Christmas vacation in which each homeroom competed by decorating their door. First, second, and third place were awarded for the decorations. The S.C.A. was in charge of making bulletin board assignments and making sure they were put up. Few students realized that they as students at Abingdon High School were the Student Cooperative Association.

UPPER RIGHT: The S.C.A. officers meet to examine the new juke box. ABOVE; FRONT ROW: President Ray Warren, Vice President Mildred Webber, Secretary Tracey Sweet, Treasurer Reva Maiden, Dist. Rep. Melanie Buchanan, Chaplain Kathy Moretz, Sgt.-At-Arms John Sheffey. SECOND ROW: Sponsors Mrs. Castellanos and Mrs. Shelton, George Gregory, Beth Roberts, Patti Elliott, Carol Wilson, Sandy Snead, Nancy Crigger, Mickey Buchanan, Herbie Ellis, Wilma Blackwell. THIRD ROW: Keith Peters, Laura Ryland, Stasia Jackson, Eddie Jordan, Nancy Altizer, Jennie Taylor, Sandy Rasnick, Rita Osborne, Connie Mills, Patrica Glover. FOURTH ROW: Lewis Harris, Bob Fern, Phyllis Stevens, Teresa Musick, Tommy Arnold, Judy Singleton, Susie Woody, Sally Hill, Sharon Henegar, Judy Woody. FIFTH ROW: Bob Nelson, Ed Howard, Don Yates, Sandy Weaver. SIXTH ROW: Eddie Bowen, Susan Barrow, Dan Richards, John Gawryla, Brenda Wright.



UPPER LEFT: Ray Warren introduces the nominees for the SCA offices. RIGHT: Mildred Webber helps decorate for the Homecoming Dance. LOWER LEFT: Ray Chitwood tries to make a "point" during his speech.



Free Spirits Sing for Civic Clubs

Free Spirits

A newly formed choral group, The Free Spirits, was heard at Abingdon High. Performing for various schools and community organizations, they were willing to try anything from Bach to Bacharack. The ten members, with the alternates, were chosen from the junior and senior classes in fall try-outs. Under the direction of Mrs. Cheryl Mitchell, the group practiced twice weekly. Some of the community organizations they performed for included Civitan, Rotary, and Kiwanis Clubs, P.T.A., and church groups.

ABOVE: SEATED Mrs. Mitchell, Sponsor, FIRST ROW: Sandy Rasnick Alt., Nancy Altizer, Jenny Taylor, Sharon Honaker, Terry Smith, Vicky Anderson, Sheri Quinton Alt. SECOND ROW: Don Holtsinger, Gary McCall, French Moore Alt., Ken Farmer, Eddie Bowen, Robert Dicks Alt., Lewis Harris. LEFT: The members of the Free Spirits entertain at the F. H. A. Fashion Show.

Members Decorate Christmas Tree

National Honor Society

The Olympics was the theme of this year's National Honor Society Talent Show in which many students performed before the student body. In addition to sponsoring the show, members of the society decorated the school Christmas tree. In the spring, the club sponsored the Spring Formal and made preparations for awarding a scholarship. The scholastic club grew in size after an impressive tapping ceremony held in March.

UPPER RIGHT: Beth Collins and Jennie Taylor decorate the school Christmas tree. LEFT: Susan Barrow and Alice Morgan perform in the N. H. S. Talent Show. ABOVE: SEATED: President Beth Collins, Vice President Susan Barrow, Reporter Jim Bowden, Sponsor Mrs. Southerlin, Treasurer Kit Grantham, Secretary Robin Riddle.

FIRST ROW: Brenda Price, Cindy Wright, Patty Phillips, Susan Munsey, Alice Morgan, Rhonda Minnick, Susan Price, Janie Gold. SECOND ROW: Debbie Howard, Donna Barrett, Connie Campbell, Patty Goodson, Jennie Taylor, Susan Chitwood, Ray Warren, Audrey South, Kathy Fugate.

The Quill — School's Magazine

Literary Club

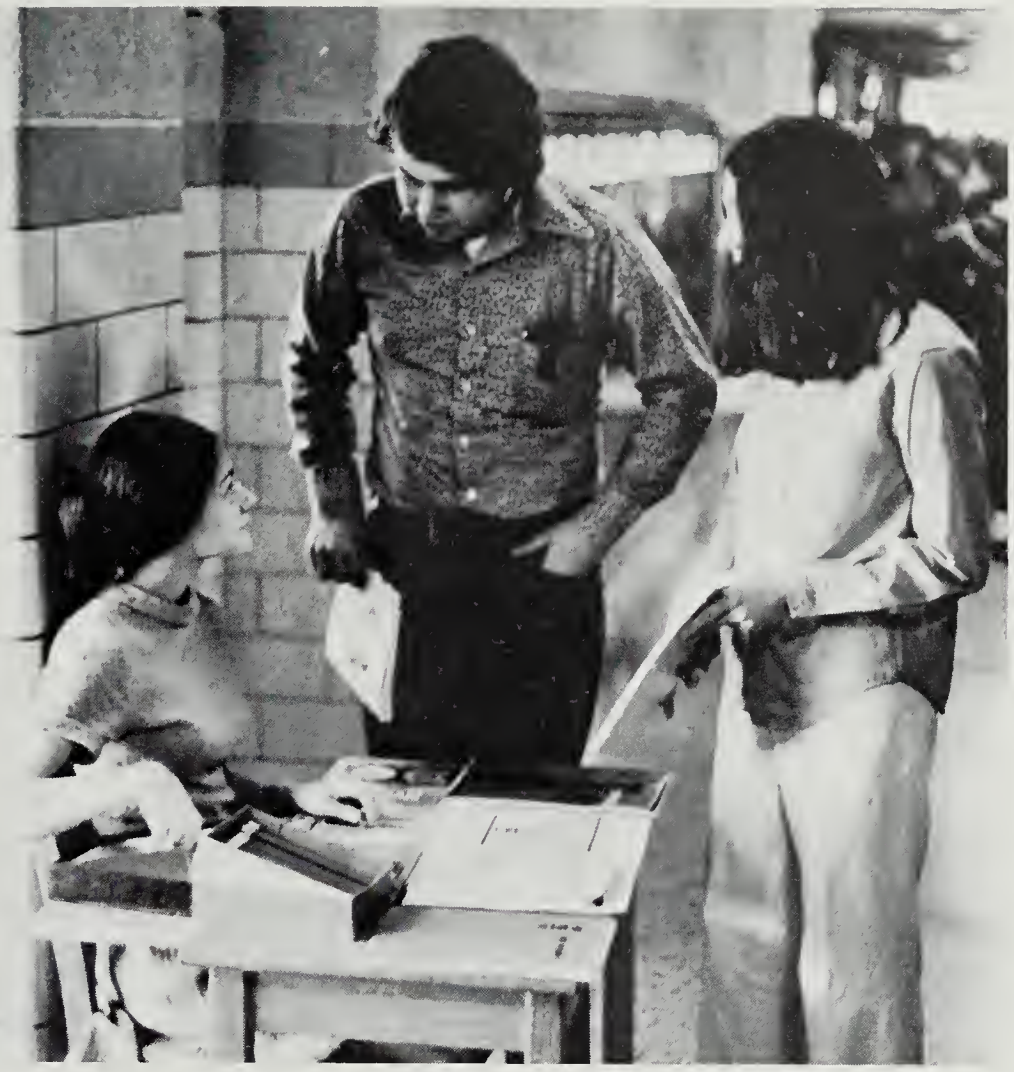
A new club was formed this past year, giving talented students an opportunity to see their creative work published. The club sponsored a contest for students to enter their suggestions as to what the school magazine should be named. Jerry Pippin was the winner of the contest and was awarded ice cream every day for a week. The name selected for the school magazine was THE QUILL. For the first time students entered original works in the Virginia High School League Creative Writing Contest. Many members of the club enjoyed a spring picnic.

ABOVE: FRONT ROW: President Judy Grantham, Vice President Gary McCall, Secretary Donna Emmert, Treasurer Laura Ryland. SECOND ROW: Patti Elliott, Kari Gardner, Donna Hannah, Tracey Sweet, Sponsor Mrs. Reedy. THIRD ROW: Cindy Farmer, Susan Barrow, Jim Kelly, Janet Sweet, Beula Price. LOWER RIGHT: Mrs. Reedy and Judy Grantham edit materials submitted for THE QUILL.

Paper Sale Before School

F.B.L.A. Club

Brightening the Easter holidays for the children in the Pediatric ward at the hospital was one of the projects of the Future Business Leaders of America. The children were served refreshments and were given Easter favors. The club proved to be very active in the field of service. Members of the club prepared Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets to give to needy families in the community. As one of the club's successful money-making projects, members from the club sold paper and other supplies before school. With the help of the advisors, Mrs. Kiser and Mrs. Peters, students learned how to cope with business problems.



UPPER RIGHT: Carolyn Price sells paper before shcool to Mollie Stevens and Curtis Spriggs. ABOVE: FRONT ROW: Lester Thompson, Cathy Denton, Carolyn Price, Treasurer Johna Owens, Secretary Sherri Quinton, Vice President Margie Roe, President Phyllis Stevens. SECOND ROW: Ann Russell, Becky Roberts, Jan Hobbs, Susan Stone, Sandy Roberts, Regina Horn, Carletta Warren. THIRD ROW: Wilma Linder, Eva Moore, Sponsors Mrs. Peters and Mrs. Kiser, Mollie Stevens.

Science Projects Entered in Fair

Jr. Science Club

Creating a greater interest in the field of science was the main purpose of the Jr. Science Club. Many members of the club enjoyed a field trip to Milligan College. Members were required to enter science projects in the Abingdon High School Science Fair. The club sponsored bake sales throughout the year to help raise money for the club. The club purchased eight trash cans for the smoking sites.

ABOVE; FRONT ROW: President Herbie Ellis, Vice President George Gregory, Secretary Darrius Carbary, Treasurer David Scott, Sgt.-At-Arms Tony Easterly, Sponsor Karl Reedy. SECOND ROW: Joe Salyers, Clifton Culbertson, Mike Stevens, David Jackson, Tony Raines, Mike Williams, Scottie Childress, Dency Hearl, Bill Sweet, Steve Holbrook, Charlie Hutton. THIRD ROW: Lisa Baldwin, David Snead, Jeff Willis, Beth Cooke, Jerry Grantham, Tim Tedder, Mike Lang, Jeter Cooke, Doug Ellis, Randy Watson, Mary Lou Moore, Erin Johnston, Vicky Heisler, Melissa Easterly, Tim Moretz. FOURTH ROW: Pam Callahan, Jeff Hawley, Bryan Owens, Mitzi Pierce, Pam Rush, Tommy Derting, Neil Raines, Curtis Phillips, Wayne Eskridge, Bob Wilson, Rick Sailor. FIFTH ROW: Judy Schaffer, Mark Ensminger, Johnny Crigger, Don Fleenor, Jerry Anderson, Sherry Grubb. SIXTH ROW: David Campbell, Carl Hankla, Jim Kelly, Gus Janson, Shawn Crookshank, Tommy Phipps, Mark DeBusk, Mike Ellison, Larry Thomas. LOWER LEFT: Members of the club helped raise money to buy trash cans for the smoking sites.

Club Buys Birdbath for Courtyard

Sr. Science Club

Furthering student interest in the various fields of science was the major purpose of the Sr. Science Club. The members went on a field trip in early fall to the Southwestern Mental Hospital and Brunswick Corporation in Marion, Virginia. With the encouragement of the club's new sponsor, Mr. Sheffield, the club purchased a bird bath to put in the courtyard. Many club members were were eager to enter projects in the school science fair. Entry in the fair was one of the club's requirements for membership. The club raised money to buy new equipment for the science department. Some of the club members showed their artistic ability through "original" bulletin boards.

UPPER LEFT: Members of the Sr. Science Club helped raise money to buy a bird bath. ABOVE; FRONT ROW: President Tommy Arnold, Vice President Bob Nelson, Secretary Faye Pope, Sgt.-At-Arms French Moore, Treasurer Danny Pierce. SECOND ROW: Linda Ross, Linda Tomlinson, Virginia Duff, Rick Ornduff, Trey Rice, Eddie Bowen, Rick Shupe. THIRD ROW: Hope Wheeler, Debbie Fulton, Jim Bowden, Joel Hunt, Brad Wright, David Foster. FIFTH ROW: Tom Counts, Kit Grantham, Mark Matheson, Ken Farmer, Don Holtsinger, Dan Gentry.

Club Members Give Christmas Basket

Flame Tri-Hi-Y

The Flame Tri-Hi-Y provides a new and exciting experience for eighth grade girls. The club members attended various local church services together. For service projects, the club gave a Christmas basket to a needy family and sponsored KOPE (Klean Our Polluted Environment) week. To raise money to send representatives to district and state conference and to pay club affiliation dues, the club held bake sales.

ABOVE: President Mary Hughes, Vice President Chloe Gentry, Secretary Cathy Flanary, Treasurer Mary Fields, Rhonda Engle, SECOND ROW: Judy Woody, Terry Owens, Tamey Bailey, Lori Phann, Kathy Leppert, Jane Thornton, Sponsor Mrs. Blevins, Tracey Yates, THIRD ROW: Mary Kestner, Rapunzel Mitchell, Donita Moore, Audrey Ratliff, Gina McCroskey, Karen Scott, FOURTH ROW: Kathy Wampler, Diane Millsap, Debbie McCroskey, Linda Fleenor, Kim Statzer, Shelia McCroskey. LOWER LEFT: Mary Hughes and Mrs. Blevins discuss future plans for the club.

Members Work As Candy Stripers

Junior Tri-Hi-Y

Reinstating the candystriping program at Johnston Memorial Hospital was one of the main projects of the Jr.-Tri-Hi-Y Club. Several members of the club attended the Massanetta Summer Leadership Conference which helped create and extend high standards of Christian living in the club. The club sponsored two Halloween parties at local rest homes which included such events as a pumpkin carving contest and serving refreshments. A Y-Vote week was sponsored by the club and a voter babysitting service was offered. Presenting Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets to a needy family were among the many projects of the club. Sponsoring morning breakfast and selling programs at football games were the money making projects of the club.

UPPER RIGHT: Beth Hughes, Marsha Jones, Kim Yates, and Kathy Russell help serve Eddie Howard morning breakfast. ABOVE: FRONT ROW: President Laura Ryland, Vice President Marsha Jones, Secretary Cathy Lowe, Treasurer Patti Elliott, Sgt.-At-Arms Lynn Snyder, Historian Kim Yates, Sponsor Mrs. Flanagan. SECOND ROW: Missy Pace, Pam Stevens, Kathy Russell, Debbie Moore, Debbie Reed, Suzanne Harris, Teresa Cunningham, Beth Hughes. THIRD ROW: Rana Duncan, Levonda Gregory, Trina Harrison, Terri Harris, Tracey Sweet, Cindy Barrett, Lee Phipps, Margie Pinkerton, Donna Casteel, Nancy Crigger. FOURTH ROW: Cindy Farmer, Freda Dye, Kathy Carr, Sandy Weaver, Gloria Wagner, Lennace Hearld, Tamara Farnsworth, Kari Gardner, Lisa Roberts.

Club Plants Tree in Courtyard

Sr. Tri-Hi-Y Club

In early spring, the Senior Tri -Hi-Y club planted a Dogwood tree in the courtyard by the science hall. Members in the club sold stationery to help raise money and presented Christmas baskets to needy families in the community. The club chose a different church to attend each month as a group. Mary Lambert, Sandy Rasnick, and Susan Munsey attended Model General Assembly in Richmond in April. The club sponsored a KOPE (Klean Our Polluted Environment) walk in which local businesses paid members to walk a specified distance.

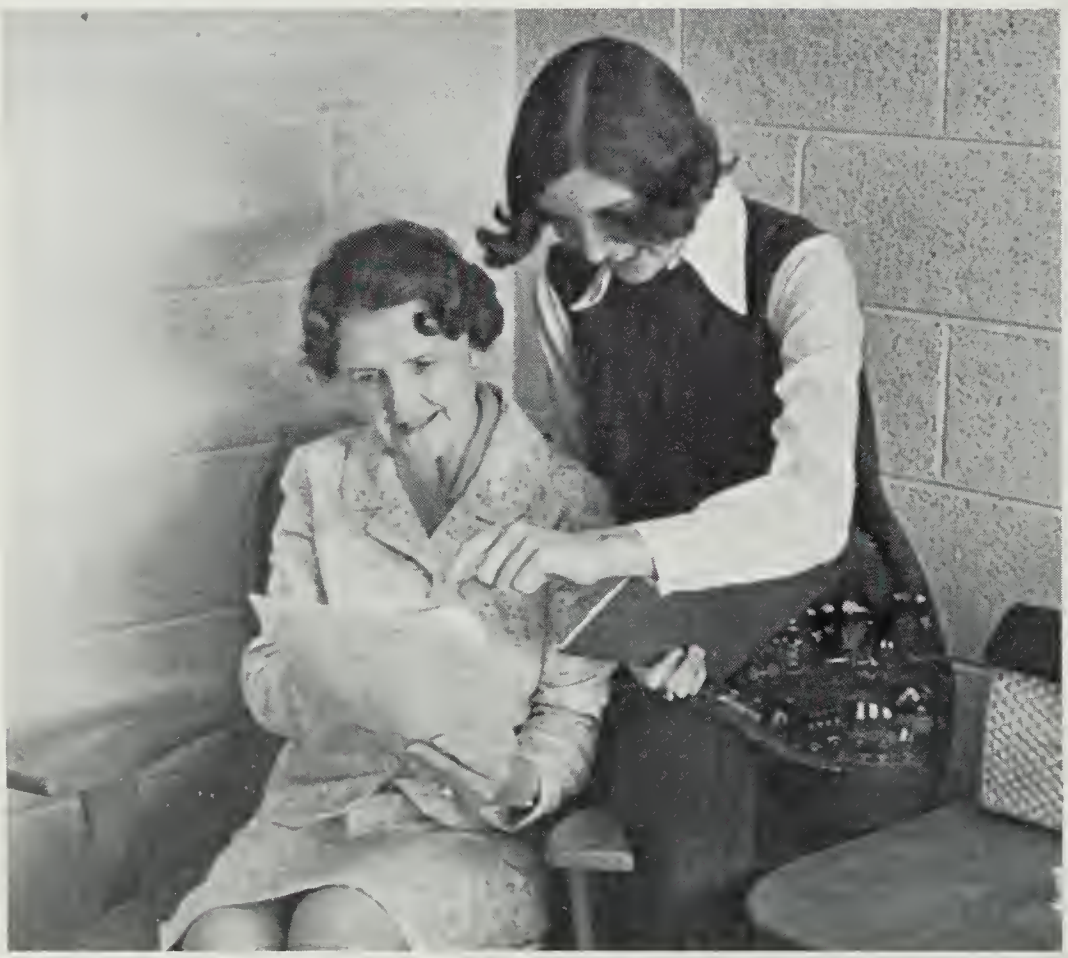
UPPER RIGHT: Mrs. Raines and club members plan a trip to Richmond. ABOVE: FRONT ROW: President Sandy Rasnick, Vice President Mary Lambert, Secretary Connie Campbell, Treasurer Donna Flanary, Chaplain Paige Southerlin, Reporter Debbie Peters. SECOND ROW: Karen Gentry, Patty Phillips, Sandra Phipps, Stasia Jackson, Lynn Kilbourne, Debbie Bare, Linda Doak. THIRD ROW: Suzanne May, Becky Foran, Susan Munsey, Teresa Grogan, Jennie Taylor.

Girls Form Athletic Association

G.A.A. Club

"Now, girls you must have at least 100 points to receive a pin at the end of the year." Mrs. Farris and Miss Wallace, G.A.A. sponsors, emphasize this at the club meetings of the newly formed Girls Athletic Association. The girls in the club were encouraged to promote good scholarship and school spirit. Membership was open to any girl interested in sports and willing to participate in two athletic activities each semester.

ABOVE: FRONT ROW: Emily Graham, Sponsor Mrs. Farris, Miss Wallace, President Mardia Bradley, Vice President Chris Myers, Secretary Paige Southerlin, Treasurer Gail Johnson, Reporter Susan Price, Sports Manager Kim Yates. SECOND ROW: Hope Wheeler, Linda Ross, Lisa Roberts, Marsha Jones, Ruth Testement, Kim Stigers, Terri Corvin, Melanie Harris, Carletta Warren, Cindy Heisler, Lennace Hearld. THIRD ROW: Irma Anderson, Darlene Smeltzer, Pat Richards, Joan James, Sandy Phipps, Cassandra Garrett, Anita Humphrey, Michelle Smeltzer, Mary Jane Sweet, Leesa Roe. FOURTH ROW: Peggy Thomas, Kathy Whitley, Candy Tignor, Trina Harrison, Debbie Peters, Sally Pinkerton, Linda Bartlett, Cheryl Cuskey, Elizabeth Puyear. FIFTH ROW: Debbie Durrett, Becky Barnett, Angi Rasnake, Angie Bevins, Martha Whitaker, Levonda Gregory, Debbie Pope, Connie Price, Tammy Thomas, Esther Arnold, Dorothy Inman, Lisa Price. SIXTH ROW: Kathy Thayer, Kathy Dye, Debbie Fleenor, Beverly Garrett, Tammy Loyd, Tina Brown, Patti Brtan, Jenny Placak, Rebekah Bowman, Audrey Ratliffe, Debbie McCroskey, Jackie Whitaker. SEVENTH ROW: Sandy Lilly, Betty Mitchell, Donna Hannah.



Mock Election Held in School

Future Teachers of America

Encouraging high school students to pursue a career in the field of education was the main purpose of the F.T.A. club. The club sponsored a mock election in the school on November 7. A car-window wash was sponsored by the club in early spring and fall to help raise money. The club presented a scholarship to the most deserving student in the senior class. Junior and Senior members of the club enjoyed a teaching day at the local elementary school.

ABOVE: FRONT ROW: President Jennie Taylor, Vice President Paige Southerlin, Secretary Jonae Hawley, Treasurer Debbie Peters, Bulletin Board Charimen Betty Clark, Rhonda Minnick, Sponsor Mrs. Cox. SECOND ROW: Lynn Morefield, Donna Casteel, Robin Riddle, Becky Singleton, Beula Price, Carol Wilson, Sabrina Gilliam, Becky Barnett, Nancy Altizer, Debbie Bare, Linda Doak. THIRD ROW: Glenna Blevins, Lester Thompson, Robert Dicks, Emily Graham, Vicky Anderson, Linda Grant, Stasia Jackson, Sandra Phipps, Sally Hill, Stan Carter. FOURTH ROW: Sherri Quinton, Debbie Riffey, Ginni Richards, Sally Smith, Mary Gentry, Barry Matheson, Reva Maiden, Teresa Harless, Wanda Gunnoe, Angi Bevins, Terri Corvin. FIFTH ROW: Chris Myers, Alice Morgan, Angie Rasnake, Kathy Moretz, Ray Chitwood, Margie Pinkerton, Steve Hayden, Susan Barrow, Randy Cole, Donnie Holtsinger, Gary Gregory. LOWER LEFT: Mrs. Cox and Jennie Taylor plan a teaching day for the club.

Club Sponsors Fashion Shows

Future Homemakers of America

Strengthening bonds between family and community life was the main purpose of the F.H.A. club. The club's monthly activities included visiting local nursing homes and baby sitting during the P.T.A. meetings. The F.H.A. club presented Christmas presents to their adopted family and helped sponsor Toys for Tots campaign. In January, the club sponsored a baking contest and gave a degree test to members of the club. The club sponsored National F.H.A. Week in March and helped with "clean up week". A Spring Fashion Show was sponsored by the club in April.

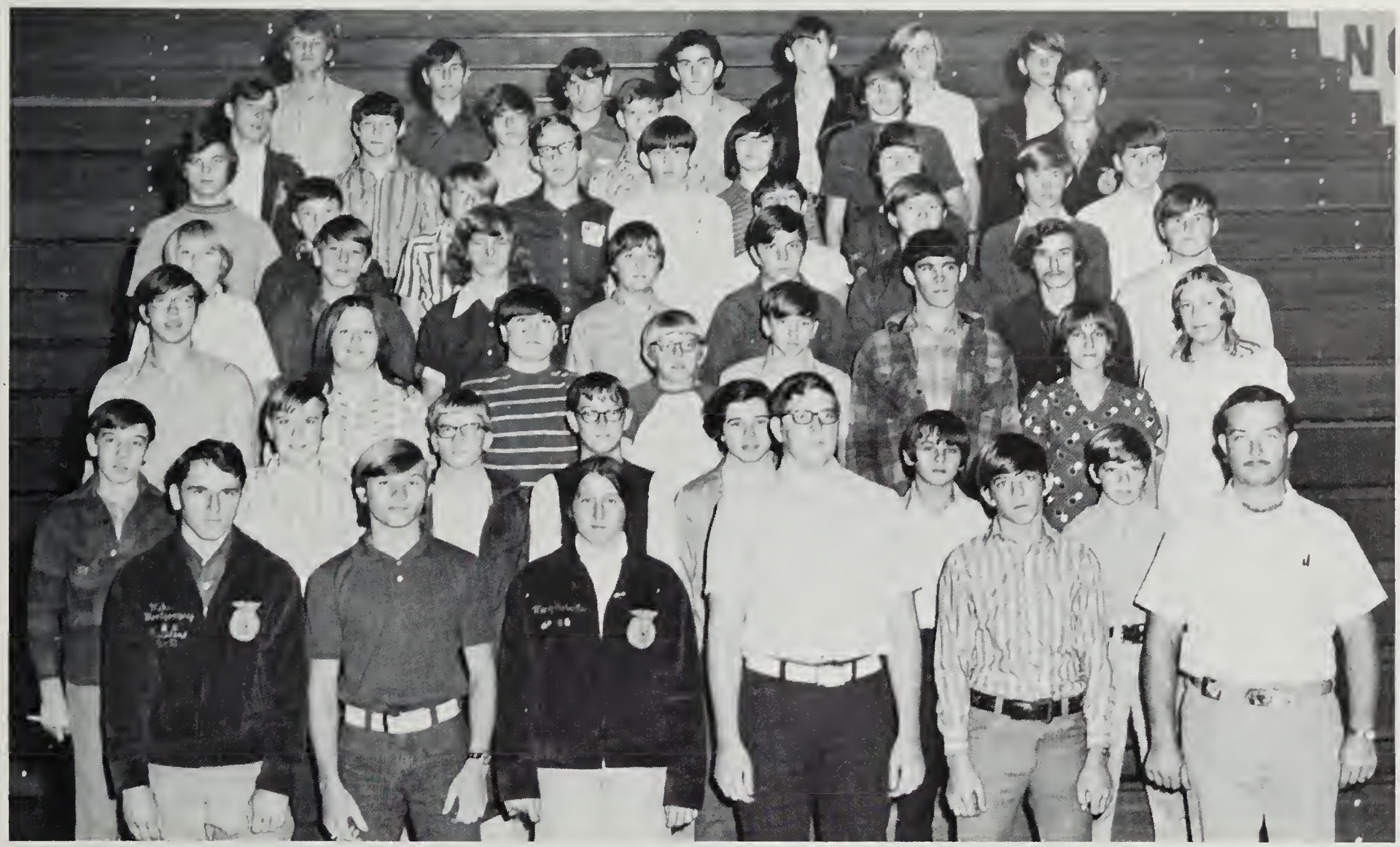
UPPER LEFT: Members of the F.H.A. club model in the Fall Fashion Show. ABOVE: FRONT ROW: Sponsor Mrs. Hargroves, President Pat Harless, Vice President Audrey South, Secretary Leesa Roe, Degree Secretary Sandy Weaver, Parliamentarian Michelle Smeltzer, Chaplain Pam Rush, Federation President Patty Phillips, Sponsor Mrs. Adams. SECOND ROW: Jenny Smith, Kathy Inscore, Betsy Pearce, Sharon Tate, Loretta Riffey. THIRD ROW: Janet Barnes, Becky Hagy, Sandy Snead, Ann Campbell, Patty Cornett, Brenda Hamm, Connie Callahan, Debbie McElyea, Freda Dye, Donna Hannah, Connie Roark, Sharon Henegar. FOURTH ROW: Darlene Singleton, Patty Osborne, Pam Callahan, Helen Gotham, Judy Singleton, Carolyn Price, Betty Mitchell, Marilou Moore, Melissa Easterly, Donna Minnick, Treicia Kilgore, FIFTH ROW: Beverly Garrett, Dorothy Fields, Karen Scott, Suzanne Harris, Cindy Moore, Levonda Gregory, Trina Harrison, Darlene Smeltzer, Susan Shepard, Cindy Thompson, B.J. Roark, Terri Harris. SIXTH ROW: Gail Rouse, Lynn Morefield, Monica Branson, Debbie Fleenor, Connie Roe, Debbie Moore, Lennace Hearld, Mary Jane Sweet, Ruth Hope, Debbie Scyphers, Anita Humphrey, Andy Rice.

Members Attend State Convention

F.F.A. Club

Club members participated in several contests, each one showing his special ability, as well as entering projects in the annual Burley Tobacco Festival. The club sponsored an initiation giving those interested in joining, a chance to prove themselves worthy of being in the club. Many of the students learned practical training in agricultural leadership and citizenship by participating in many of the sponsored activities. Several members from the club attended the Future Farmers of America State Convention and the F.F.A. camp.

UPPER RIGHT: Lynn McConnell participates in a tractor driving contest. ABOVE; FRONT ROW: President Bob Mitchell, Vice President Steve Smith, Second Vice President Ronald Stewart, Secretary Wayne Stevens, Treasurer Ricky Oliver, Sentinel Lanny Harner, Reporter Ricky White. SECOND ROW: Bob Parker, Shelia Lowe, Ray Warren, John Jenkins, Jerry Singleton, Sylvia McConnell, Harold Mitchell, Catherine Thomas. THIRD ROW: Mike Rash, Allen Galliher, Dayton Burke, Billy Reynolds, Don Wright, Charles Puckett, Ralph Rowe, Janice Sheffey, Linda Norris. FOURTH ROW: Bobby Arnold, John Doss, Darrell Holman, Mike Millsap, Jack Able, Jim Sprinkle, Donny Estep, Mac Goodman, John Ruth, Roy Keller. FIFTH ROW: Hank Wright, Ricky Maiden, Denny Arnold, Mike Tate, David Henley, Earl Cunningham, Gary Thomas, Danny Leonard, Mike Goodman, Dewey Johnson, Winford Estep. SIXTH ROW: David Thompson, Jimmy Keyser, Mike Cumbow, Mike Millsap, Mike Denton, David Warren, Mike Snead, Dave Thomas, Mike Barrett, Wayne Ferguson, Donnie Arnold.



ABOVE; FRONT ROW: President Mike Montgomery, Secretary George Morrison, Treasurer Mary Roberts, Reporter Gary McCall, Sentinel Walter Keller, Sponsor Mr. Crabtree. SECOND ROW: Ralph Carty, Joe Salyer, Randy Crusenberry, David Jackson, Danny Little, Gary Andis, Eddie Large. THIRD ROW: Lanny Osborne, Jo Anne Gergory, Jeeter Cooke, Randall Gill, Allan Price, Tony Roark, Ann Campbell, Rose Osborne. FOURTH ROW: Russell Carmack, Davy Snead, David Robinette, Allan Cornett, Clyde White, Rick Wyatt, Wayne Lewis, Blane Atwell. FIFTH ROW: Kenny Long, Buster Singleton, Steve Jackson, Randy Minton, Ricky Casey, Mike Stiger, Joe Reynolds, Roger Hearl, James Hope. SIXTH ROW: Jeff McConnell, Roger Johnson, Ricky Rosenbaum, Charles Burke, Eddie Arnett, Ricky Anderson, John Berry. SEVENTH ROW: Lynn McConnell, Austin Atwell, David Harless, Dean Sullins, Steve Miller, Tom McIntyre, Robert Byars. LOWER LEFT: Lynn McConnell, Allen Galliher, and Larry Wilson strip tobacco as a club project.

ABOVE: FIRST ROW: President; Don Yates, Vice-President; Gary Hagy, Secretary; John Hannah, Treasurer; Guy J. Barrow, Tommy Hagy. SECOND ROW: Herbie Ellis, Kevin Abel, Rick Riddle, Joel Hunt, Billy Caudell. THIRD ROW: Mike Vaughn, Steve Holbrook, Sweetheart; Kathy Moretz, Trey Rice, Mark Ensminger. FOURTH ROW: Gary Fuller, Brad Wright, Don Petty, Doc Wilson, John Sheffey. FIFTH ROW: John McCroskey, Mike Gotham, Robert Dicks, Phil Shaffer, John Cornelius. BOTTOM RIGHT: Trey Rice, Guy J. Barrow, Don Yates, and Mr. Fletcher; club sponsor, clean up the school grounds.

Members Sponsor Overseas Orphan

Interact Club

Opportunities for young men to work together in a world fellowship is what the Interact Club is all about. It is dedicated to service and international understanding. This year the club sponsored an overseas orphan and members helped in the March of Dimes Campaign in Washington County. Additional service to the school was provided by selling football programs, serving refreshments at a faculty meeting, awarding a Senior Interact Member Scholarship, and presenting the "Best Teacher of the Year" Award. Sponsoring the Christmas Dance, Interact-Faculty Basketball and Softball Games, and entering a float in the Burley Tobacco Festival Parade were the major money-making projects. Many Interact members were guests at numerous Rotary Club dinners. In preparing for the visiting evaluation committee, the Interact Club worked cleaning the school grounds.

Club Organizes Football Team

Civinette Club

Defeated by the women faculty in a hard fought "powder puff" football game, Civinette members turned their thoughts toward sponsoring the Miss Washington County Pageant. Members built a float for Miss Washington County to ride in the Tobacco Festival Parade. At Halloween, the club gave the area children a carnival and sponsored the Sadie Hawkins Dance as a school project.

LEFT: Cindy Wright, Brenda Wright, and Susan Chitwood dress up for the children's Halloween Carnival. BELOW: FIRST ROW: Sponsor, Mrs. Yeary, President; Cindy Wright, Vice-President; Susan Price, Secretary; Susan Chitwood, Treasurer; Mardia Bradley, Sweetheart; Rick Shupe, Reporter; Melanie Buchanan. SECOND ROW: Glenna Blevins, Robin Riddle, Chris Myers, Susan Barrow, Sheri Quinton, Carol Wilson, Betty Parker, Patty Syphers, Ginni Richards, Sally Smith. THIRD ROW: Reva Wilson, Debbie Chafin, Beth Collins, Susan Munsey, Sabrina Gilliam, Donna Flanary, Susie Woody, Norley Torres, Charlsie Smith. FOURTH ROW: Alice Morgan, Kathy Moretz, Debbie Roark, Brenda Wright, Brenda Widner, Mary Gentry, Betty Clark, Emily Graham, Rhonda Minnick, Karen Gentry, Suzanne May, Stasia Jackson, Beula Price, Sandy Rasnick.

Members Escort for Homecoming

Key Club

Providing service to the school and community was the main goal of the Key Club. Several members of the club escorted the Homecoming Court during halftime activities. Representatives from the club attended the weekly meetings of the Kiwanis Club and assisted them in any way possible. Raising the flag outside the school and presenting the flags in assemblies were two of the club's obligations during the year. The Key Club sponsored the annual Valentine Dance. A scholarship was awarded at the end of the year to the most deserving senior boy.

UPPER RIGHT: Members of the Key Club escorted the Homecoming Court. ABOVE: FRONT ROW: President Dan Richards, Vice President Barry Matheson, Secretary Lewis Harris, Treasurer Buster Janson, Sgt.-At-Arms Eddie Bowen, Sweetheart Alice Morgan, Sponsor Mr. Vanover. SECOND ROW: Jeff Blackwell, Vaughn Gardner, Ray Chitwood, Tom Counts. THIRD ROW: Rick Shupe, Curtis Lang, Mark Matheson, Don Holtsinger, David Foster, Leon Booth, Jim Wilson.

Members Attend Achievement Day

4-H Club

"To make the best better," was the motto of our 4-H Club. Members of the club through out the year kept records in their achievement notebooks. For the major money making project, the club served lunch for District Demonstration Day; a meeting consisting of thirteen county 4-H Clubs. They also set up a demonstration table at the Burley Tobacco Festival. Numerous Abingdon 4-H'ers received highest honors at the annual Achievement Day, held in Bristol, Virginia. Kathy Reed received the Major Award for Over-All Achievement; a visit to Washington, D.C. She also received an award for her work in Consumer Education. Mary Roberts was honored for her work in the category of Horses and Ponies.

ABOVE: FRONT ROW: President Mike Barrett, Vice President Bobby Arnold, Secretary Mike Snead, Treasurer Mike Millsap, Rick Riddle, SECOND ROW: Ricky Price, Earl Cunningham, Danny Johnson, Larry Harless, Walter Keller, Harold Mithcell, David Millsap, Mike Tate, Bobby Warren, Curtis Phillips, THIRD ROW: Ricky Carmack, Billy Snodgrass, Jamerson Thayer, Darrell Sullins, Harold Morris, John Doss, Johnny Widener, and Darrell Holman. BELOW: FRONT ROW: President Donna Montgomery, Vice President Ruth Hope, Secretary Betty Parker, Treasurer Janis Harris, Debbie Reed. SECOND ROW: Sponsor Mrs. Hicks, Brenda Belcher, Darlene Thomas, Patricia Glover, Mary Kestner, Beverly Garrett, Karen Hay, Phillis King, Judy Singleton, Dorothy Fields, Rita Montgomery, Tammy Southerland, Karen Scott, Martha Whitaker, THIRD ROW: Leslie Litton, Mary Roberts, Debbie Scyphers, Pat Harless, Margaret Vanover, Darlene Smeltzer, Dorothy Taylor, Louise Oney.

ABOVE SEATED: Shelia Powers, Diane Hutton, Arlene Turner, Joyce Thomas, Susie Ferguson, Nancy Umbarger, Ellen Ferguson, Billy Hearld, Tracey Yates, Jane Thornton, Vicki Heisler, Tim Moretz, Shelia Cunningham, Terri Harris. SECOND ROW: Mollie Stevens, Pam Sexton, Debbie Fulton, Ruth Lewis, Mrs. McBride, Mrs. Harris, sponsors, Chloe Gentry, Regina Pugh, Joann Anderson, Judy Kestner, Mary Kestnet, Alice Nash, Tannis Reynolds, Miss Clark, sponsor, Debbie McCroskey, Gail Rose, Curtis Phillips, Donna Emmert. BOTTOM LEFT: Terri Harris works as a library assistant.

Club Sponsors Library Week

Library Club

Creating a greater interest among the students through the use of books was one of the main projects of the Library Club. The club worked to improve library service in the school and to stimulate reading interest. A paperback book fair was sponsored providing a chance for students to order their own books. Members of the club worked as library assistants during their study halls, before, and after school. A faculty tea and poster contest were held to emphasize Library Week. Buying gifts for a needy family and sending Christmas cards to service men in Vietnam were among the club's projects.

Egg Toss Provides Enjoyment at AHS

Talon Staff

Editing and publishing a school newspaper were the main projects of the Talon staff. The staff functioned as a social club and participated in many school and community activities. There were a few new adjustments made with the arrival of a new sponsor, Mrs. Bostic. The staff published four editions of THE TALON during the year. An egg toss was sponsored by the newspaper staff following the bonfire during "Spirit Week" to help encourage school spirit. Several bake sales were among the money-making projects of the staff. There was much learning and several adjustments to make for this year's staff. Much hard work and diligence were put into the production of each school newspaper. During the year, the Talon Staff learned how important and impressive the newspaper really is in our school.

UPPER LEFT: Mrs. Bostic, sponsor of the Talon staff, lectures the Journalism class on new ideas for the newspaper. ABOVE: SEATED: Rob Campany, Jeff Hawley, Thornton Bowman, Cindy Harris, Erin Johnston, Melissa Easterly, Elizabeth Puyear, Alice Dobyns, Sandra Phipps, Connie Barker, Stasia Jackson. SECOND ROW: Mrs. Bostic, sponsor, Sandy Mitchell, Susie Ferguson, Regina Pugh, John Cornelius, Arlene Turner, Wanda Gunnoe, John McCroskey, Debbie Reed. THIRD ROW: Jonae Hawley, Dan Roche, Jackie Easterly, Don Yates, Jay Lloyd, Phyllis Stevens, Donna Barrett, Audrey South, Betty Clark, Patsy White, Becky Roberts.

UPPER LEFT: B. J. Hamilton, Editor, examines a new issue of the Talon. UPPER RIGHT: Mrs. Moore and Jonae Hawley make plans for the Talon. ABOVE: Members of the Journalism class read the first issue of the Talon.

Staff Sponsors Celebrity Auction

Beacon Staff

1973 reflected exciting happenings in the fields of academics, sports, clubs, and social activities. In order to raise funds, the staff sponsored a Teacher Talent Show and a Parcel Post Celebrity Auction. The talent show was the first of that kind held at the school; the auction provided valuable gifts from such famous celebrities as Richard Burton, Richard Nixon, and the late Lyndon Johnson. Both activities brought in generous funds. Not all the time was spent in raising money; however, as any Beacon staff member knew, hard work on meeting deadines, photography, and planning circulation drives, kept them working diligently.

UPPER RIGHT: French Moore and John Cornelius, Beacon photographers, decide on prospects for a picture. ABOVE: FRONT ROW: Ray Warren, David Stumbaugh, Tommy Arnold, Lester Thompson, Gary McCall, SECOND ROW: Faye Pope, Debbie Bare, Patty Phillips, Paige Southerlin, Linda Bartlett, Missy Pace, Linda Doak, Beverly Rhoaten. THIRD ROW: Virginia Duff, Janie Gold, Regina Pugh, Beula Price, Lynn Morefield, Elaine Bradley, Robin Riddle, Ann Sironko, Beth Collins, Jonae Hawley, Kim Yates.

TOP LEFT: Mrs. Roberts, sponsor, holds one of the prized packages sent for the Celebrity Auction. UPPER RIGHT: Janie Gold and Donna Barrett, co-editors, talk with yearbook representative, Mr. Cross about yearbook covers. BOTTOM LEFT: Melanie Buchanan, Mardia Bradley, David Hoffman, and Greg Ellis examine the seltzer bottle sent by Bob Barker to the Celebrity Auction. LOWER RIGHT: Mrs. Landreth and Elaine Bradley, Business Manager, discuss the budget for the yearbook.

UPPER LEFT: Debbie Bare, Faculty Editor, and Paige Southerlin, Class Editor, work putting last minute touches on their pages. UPPER RIGHT: Faye Pope, Circulation Manager, files receipts for yearbooks. LOWER LEFT: Patty Phillips, Academics Editor, and Beula Price, Club Editor, look on as the auctioneer auctioned off the packages received for the Celebrity Auction. LOWER RIGHT: Robin Riddle, Sports Editor, puts up a bulletin board to promote the circulation campaign.

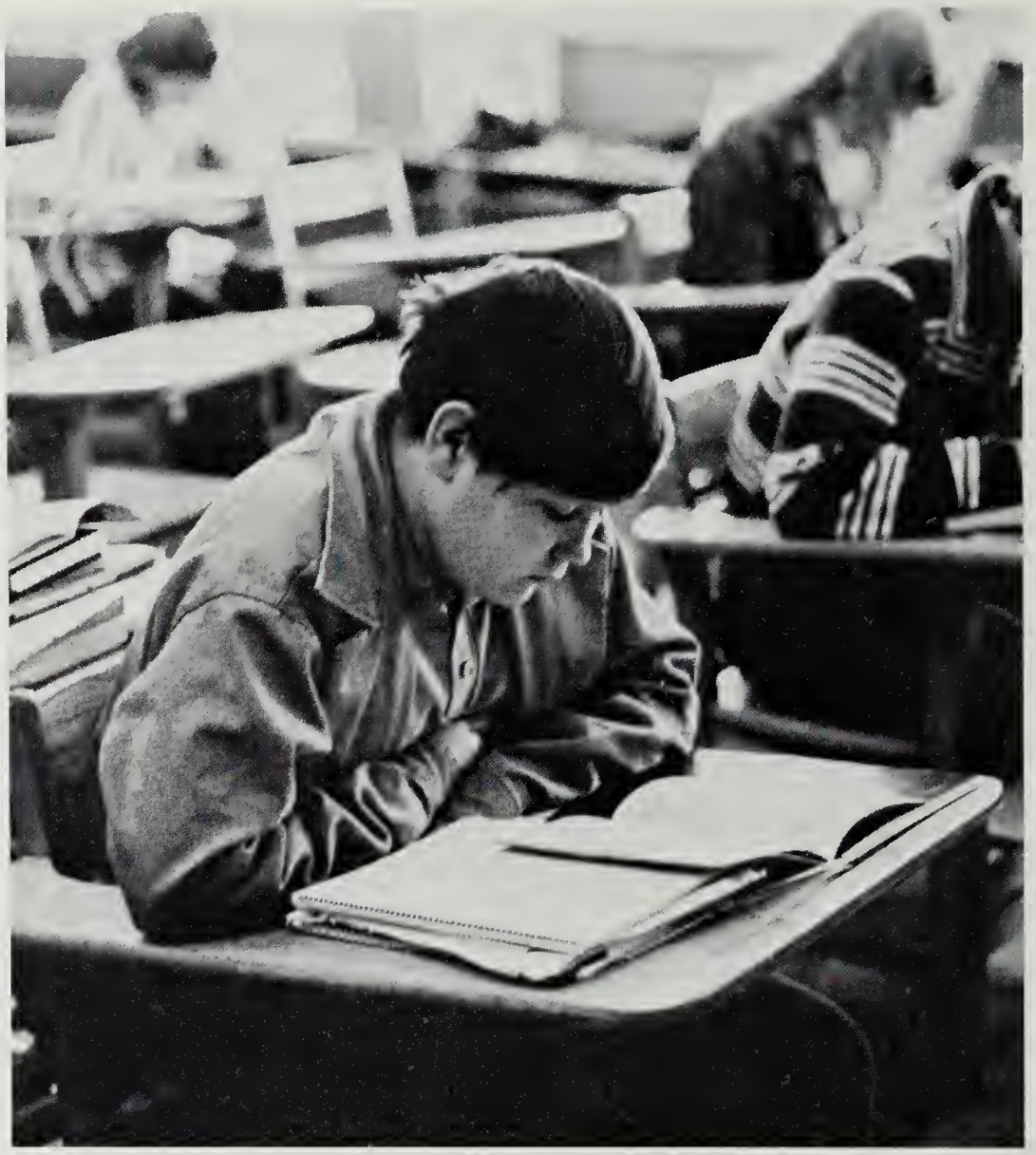
Reflections of Achievement

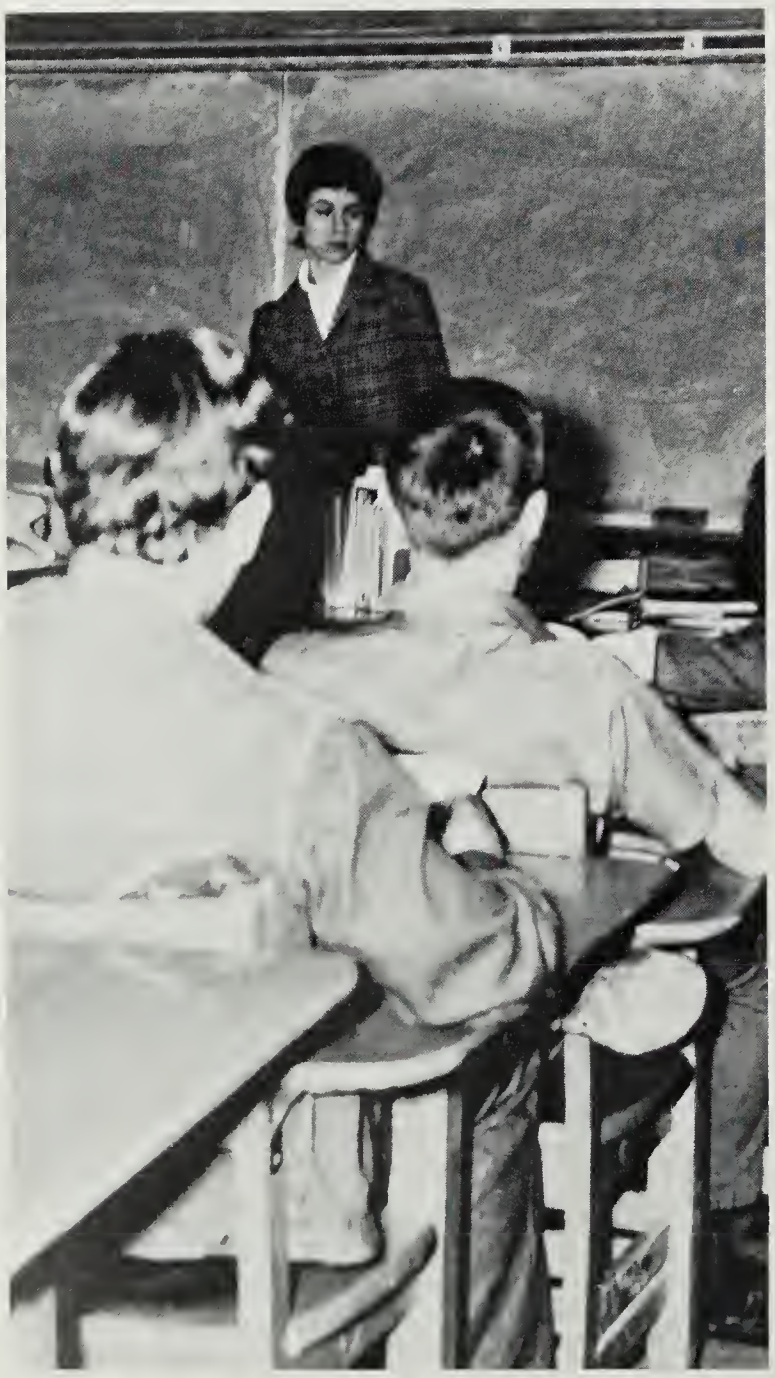
As Edited by: Patty Phillips

Literature Projects Involve Students

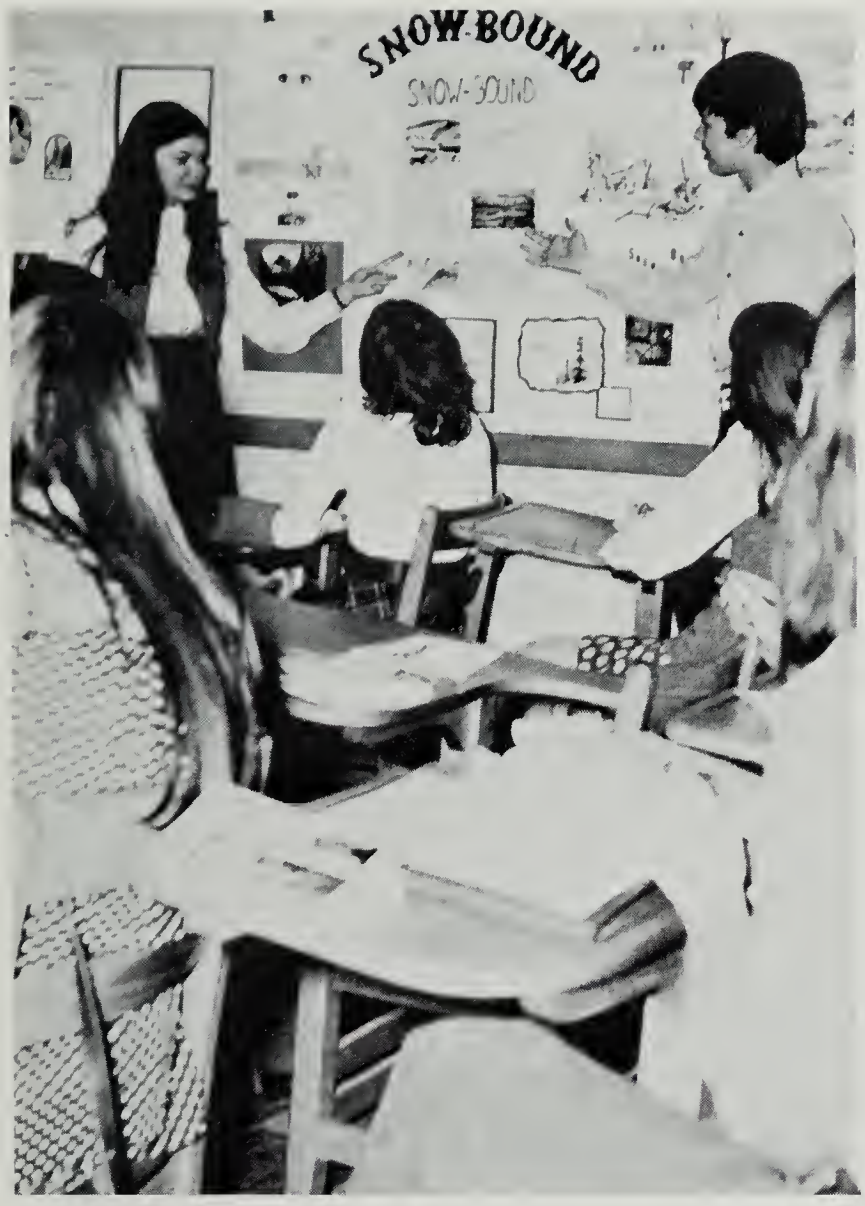
English

Fingerpainting increases interest in the English Department for many students who studied Humanities. Basic newspaper lay-outs were taught by the Journalism class, while acting and creative writing were involved in Speech and Drama. There was more to English than just grammar and sentence structure. Students became involved in literature projects, Shakespearean dramas, poetry, and book reports. Seniors wrote the long anticipated term papers, and became involved with creative writing. Films and guest speakers encouraged student participation.

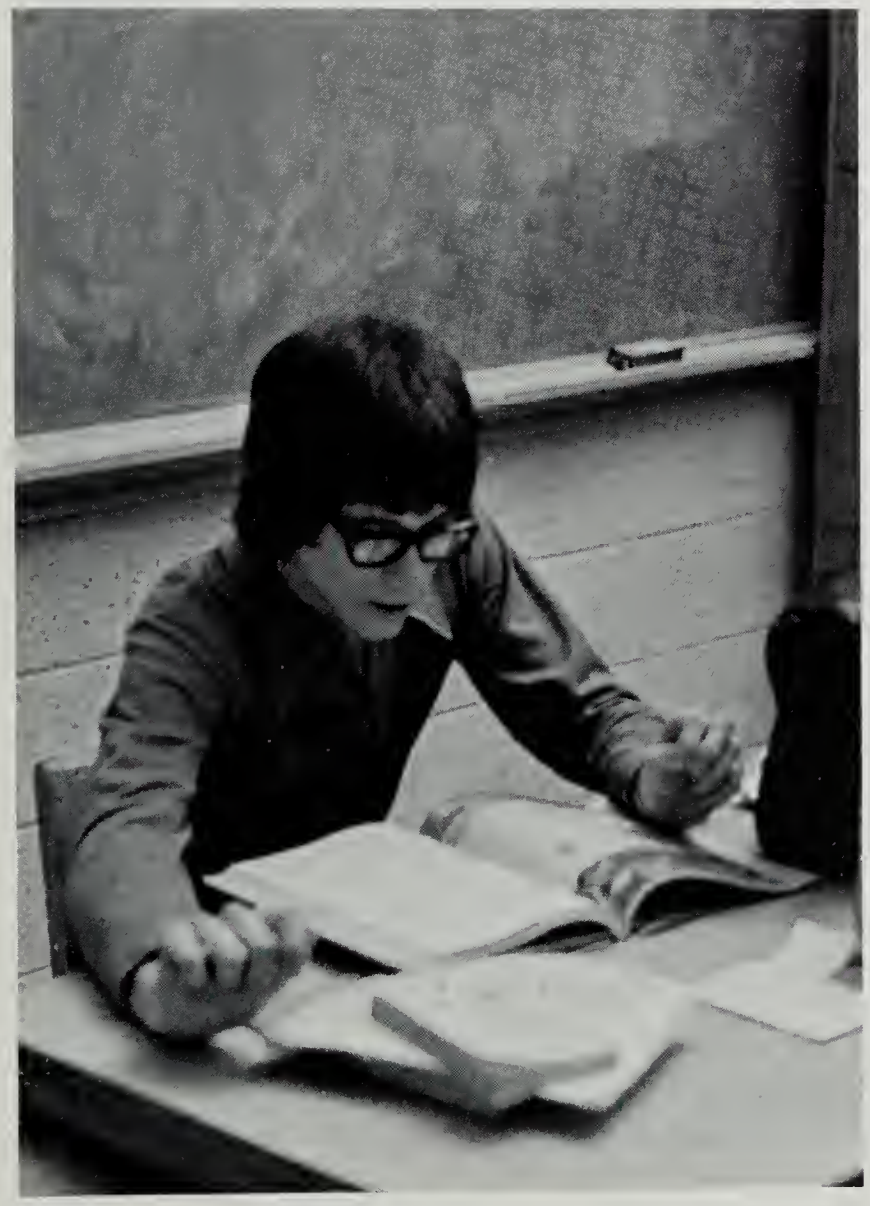


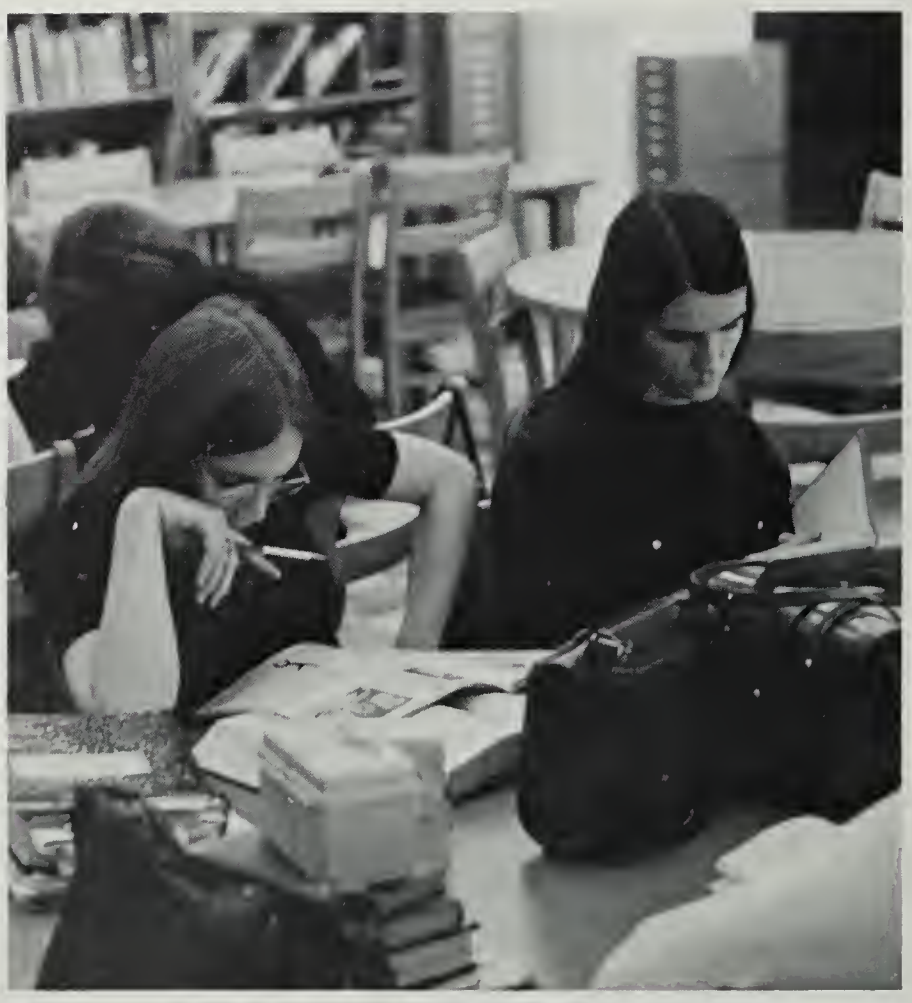


TOP RIGHT: Larry Wilson memorizes poetry for English presentations. ABOVE LEFT: Members of class are all ears when Mrs. Jonas speaks of grammar. RIGHT: Other English students enjoy selections of literature.



TOP LEFT: John Hannah and Janis Harris display a bulletin board for English 11. BELOW LEFT: John McCroskey explains basic newspaper lay-outs for Journalism class. TOP RIGHT: Robert Dicks works on a creative writing assignment. BELOW RIGHT: Speech and Drama class gives an outlet for expression.



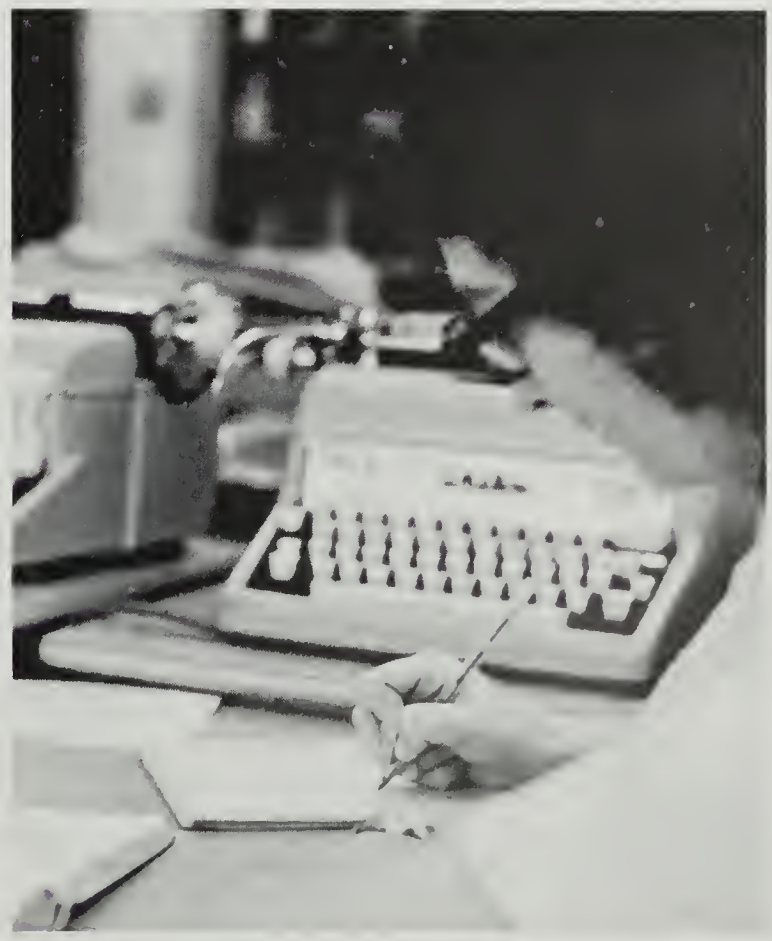


TOP: Sandy Rasnick, Nancy Altizer and Don Yates express themselves with homemade finger paint in Humanities.
LEFT: Classes work diligently on various English projects.
ABOVE RIGHT: Debbie Fulton and Shirley Rhoten gather material for term papers.

Shorthand Offers Golden Opportunity

Business

Other than the regular typing and shorthand, future secretaries learned how to work calculating machines, fill out tax forms and bookkeeping. They went on several field trips to explore the business world and find out a little more about the various types of jobs. Numerous students placed in contests in which they were skilled.



TOP LEFT: Cathy Combs polishes her extensive bookkeeping skills in class. ABOVE LEFT: Karen Moore maintains speed and accuracy during typing drills. TOP RIGHT: Sandra Phipps and Jean Mills work patiently in General Business. RIGHT: Mary Lawson examines shorthand characters.

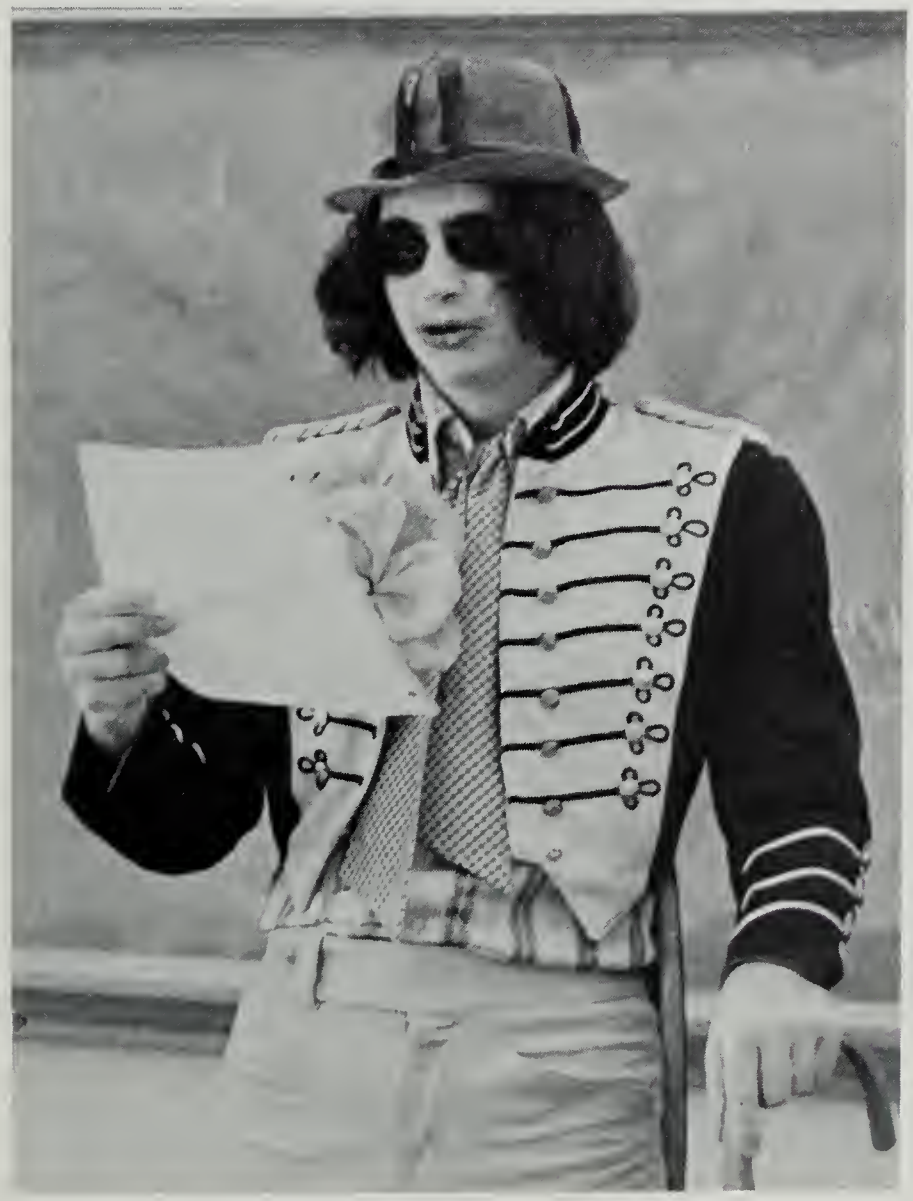
Rep. Bill Wampler Addresses Students

Social Studies

The government classes were privileged to hear Representative Bill Wampler talk on the subject of the Republican Platform. Reading TIME MAGAZINE was a regular feature for the World Affairs class. Planning weddings and learning about other aspects of life were all part of Coach Bishop's sociology class. Skits for Geography classes were some of the special projects. Exciting films, speakers and term papers were all part of the world of United States History.

TOP RIGHT: Brian Young, Woody Routh and Floyd Raines scan articles of interest in Family Weekly for Civics class. LEFT: Daryl Warren searches for far away cities to prove a point in World History. ABOVE RIGHT: Shirley Rhoten brings an article to the attention of Debbie Peters during World Affairs.

TOP LEFT: Tom Counts and Chris Myers enjoy TIME Magazines. TOP RIGHT: Jay Lloyd addresses History classes. BOTTOM LEFT: Government skit presented by David Stumbaugh. BOTTOM RIGHT: Vickie Anderson and Beula Price point out cities on map.



Analysis Class Makes Debut

Math

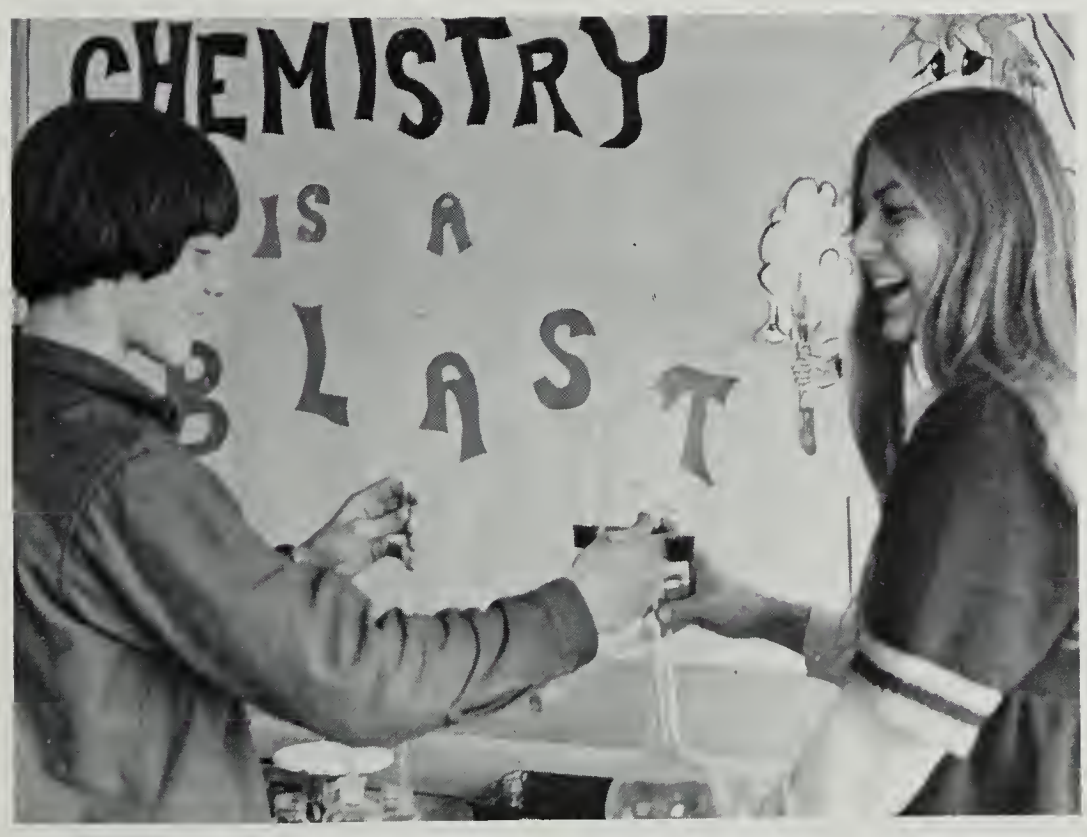
Striving toward solving difficult Algebraic equations was only a small part of math. Students also learned much about angles, theorems, and decimals. In addition to eighth and ninth grade basic math, Algebra I and II, Geometry, College Math, and Trigonometry classes were offered. Analysis was introduced as a new math course this year. Some Analysis members competed in a math test at Radford, Virginia.

TOP LEFT: Roy Crusenberry solves Math 9 problems for class members. TOP RIGHT: Mary Lambert puts equation on board for Mr. Fleenor to explain. BOTTOM LEFT: Joey Reynolds demonstrates his mathematical ability to classmates. ABOVE: Mrs. Lineberry notes that Tom Counts finally did his homework while Mark Matheson and Greg Owens look on with amazement.

Enrollment Increases in Science Classes

Science

Progress was noted in the science department this year, as more students than ever were enrolled in science classes. The eighth graders studied Introductory Physical Science, while upper classmen worked on Earth Science and Biology. Ecology was a new and interesting subject many students pursued. More advanced students studied Chemistry and Physics. Numerous Abingdon students prepared science projects for a Regional Fair held at Clinch Valley College.



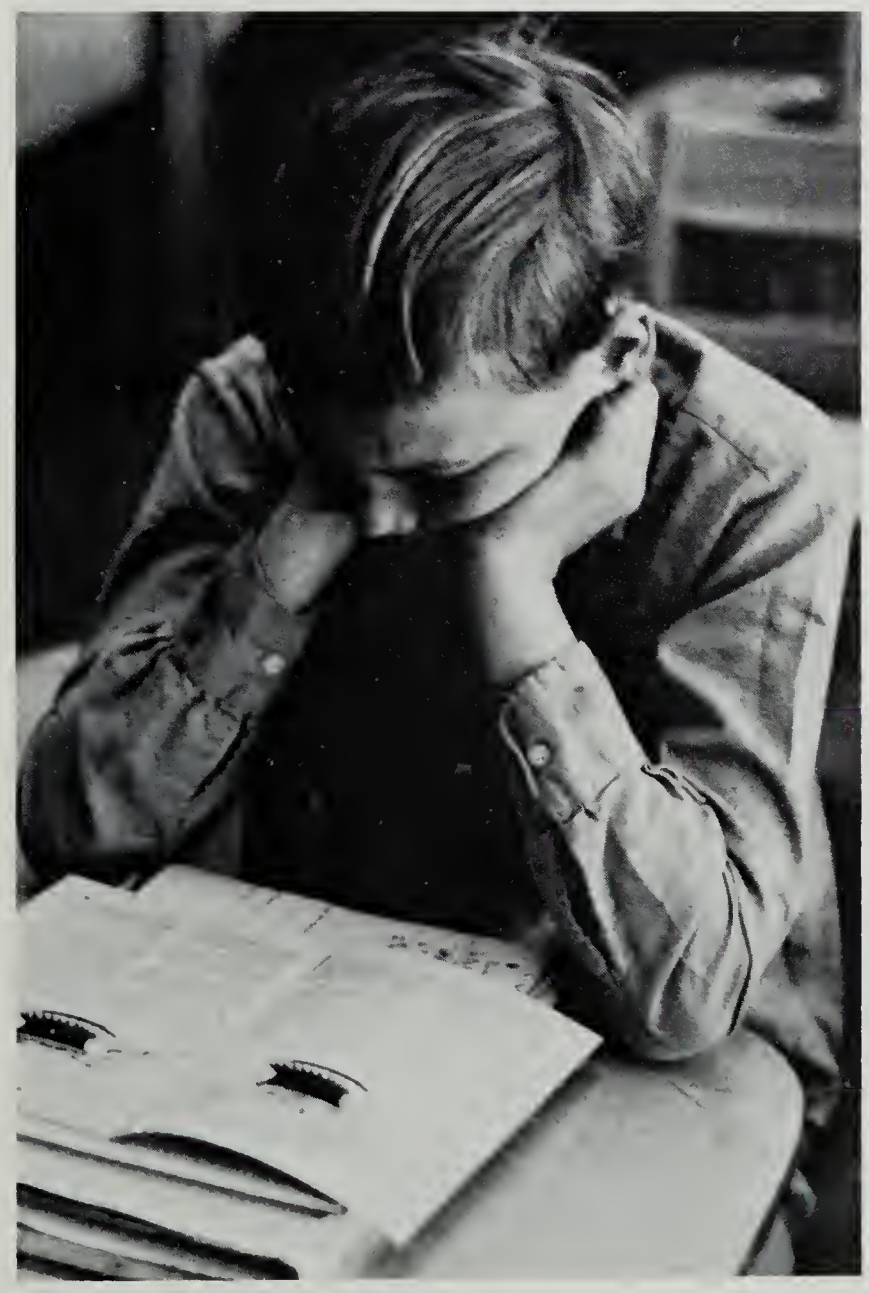
TOP LEFT: Kit Grantham and Jim Bowden discover much more about sound waves as they prepare instruments for a Physics experiment. ABOVE LEFT: David Kitch and Mary Gentry gaily mix one of many brews in Chemistry. ABOVE RIGHT: Billy Caudell takes a peek at a real live germ.

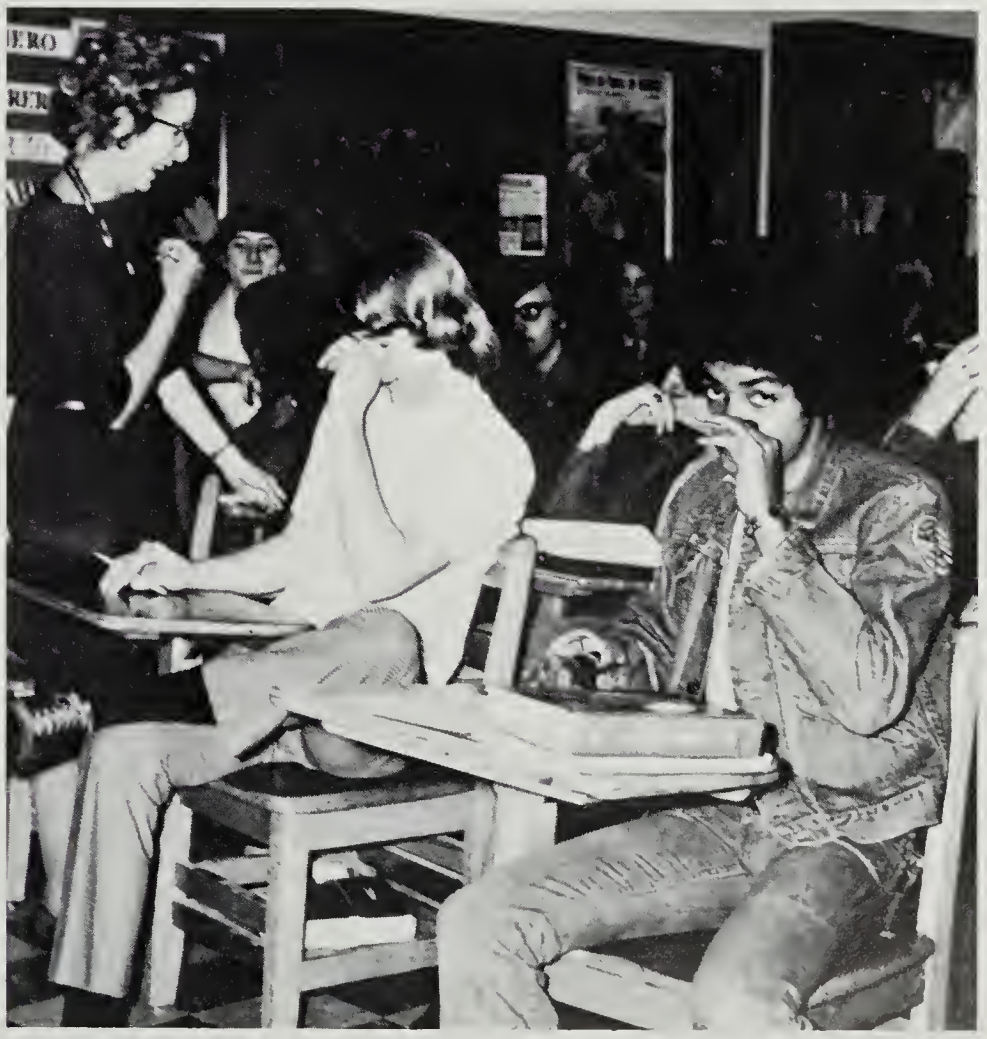
Foreign Projects Arouse Interest

Foreign Language

Dreams of a far away land invaded the imagination of foreign language students. In addition to just learning the basic nouns and verbs, students saw interesting films, worked on projects and reports, and constructed bulletin boards and posters. Mrs. Moore's French II classes presented occasional skits, and the advanced French classes read a complete book in the French language. They prepared speeches and constructed posters relating to their chosen vocation. Students enrolled in Miss Watson's Latin classes worked on projects relating to ancient Rome. Athenic coliseums, aqueducts, and Roman columns were molded with clay, sugar cubes, and other materials. Dr. Castellanos' Spanish classes also constructed interesting bulletin boards.

TOP RIGHT: David Stumbaugh, Jeff Blackwell and Tamara Farnsworth sit up and listen when Mrs. Moore speaks. ABOVE: Donna Maiden explains to Shirley Rhoten about Spanish verbs while Stan Carter looks on. BOTTOM RIGHT: Miss Watson helps Greg Ellis conjugate Latin verbs.





TOP: The French, Spanish and Latin classes combined during the Christmas season to present a program of Christmas carols from foreign countries. The familiar tunes echoed through each hall and filled the classes with the Christmas spirit. BOTTOM LEFT: Abe Wright concentrates on learning about foreign countries. ABOVE: Dr. Castellanos works closely with her students in class.

Variety of Skills Developed in Gym

Physcial Education

Running laps and practicing "jumping jacks" were only a small part of physical education classes. Skills ranging from doing a "birds' nest" on the flying rings to vaulting on the gymnastic horse were developed by many eager students. Volleyball, ping-pong, badminton, basketball, archery, and softball were among games the classes enjoyed. Health classes provided interesting learning situations for P.E. students on days they did not "dress out." Eighth graders studied basic health, freshmen practiced handy first-aid techniques, and sophomores prepared for Driver's Training.

TOP RIGHT: Sandy Snead administers first aid in the form of a sling to Pam Kaylor. ABOVE: Robin Snead vaults to greater heights over horse. BOTTOM RIGHT: Donna Hannah and Judy Grantham enjoy a rousing game of ping-pong.

TOP LEFT: Students participate in the old time favorite "jumping jacks". TOP RIGHT: Patricia Gobble begins her under-the-wheel training. BOTTOM LEFT: Ronnie Norris, Mike Stevens, Tim Moretz and Ralph Rowe are busily studying health. BOTTOM RIGHT: Ricky Anderson spikes the winning point in volley ball.

Learning to Do — Doing to Learn

Horticulture

Vocational Agriculture, Horticulture and Shop were options which were now open to male and female students alike. Students became aquainted with the many fields of agriculture-business, such as greenhouse operation, plant propagation, metalwork, and welding. One could develop skills in flower arranging, woodworking or electrical wiring. Many agriculture students worked throughout the year on such projects as small engine repair, body work on a car or truck, farm machinery repairs and sometimes even building a trailer. Members of the shop classes were steadily working on all varieties of woodworking. From using the jigsaw to the final staining and varnishing of the wood, students were actually making items they could take home and use. The horticulture enthusiast studied the many tedious steps in raising successful gardens. Starting with seeds, they observed the seedlings grow to be blossoming or fruit bearing plants, many of which were taken home to be transplanted into the students' gardens. Possibly this is why we have hear them say, "we learn to do as we do to learn."

TOP: Rose Osborne takes time in class to "weed out" the unhealthy plants so the others will have room to grow. BOTTOM: Dewey Compton looks over the beautiful crop of mums that was grown in the greenhouse.

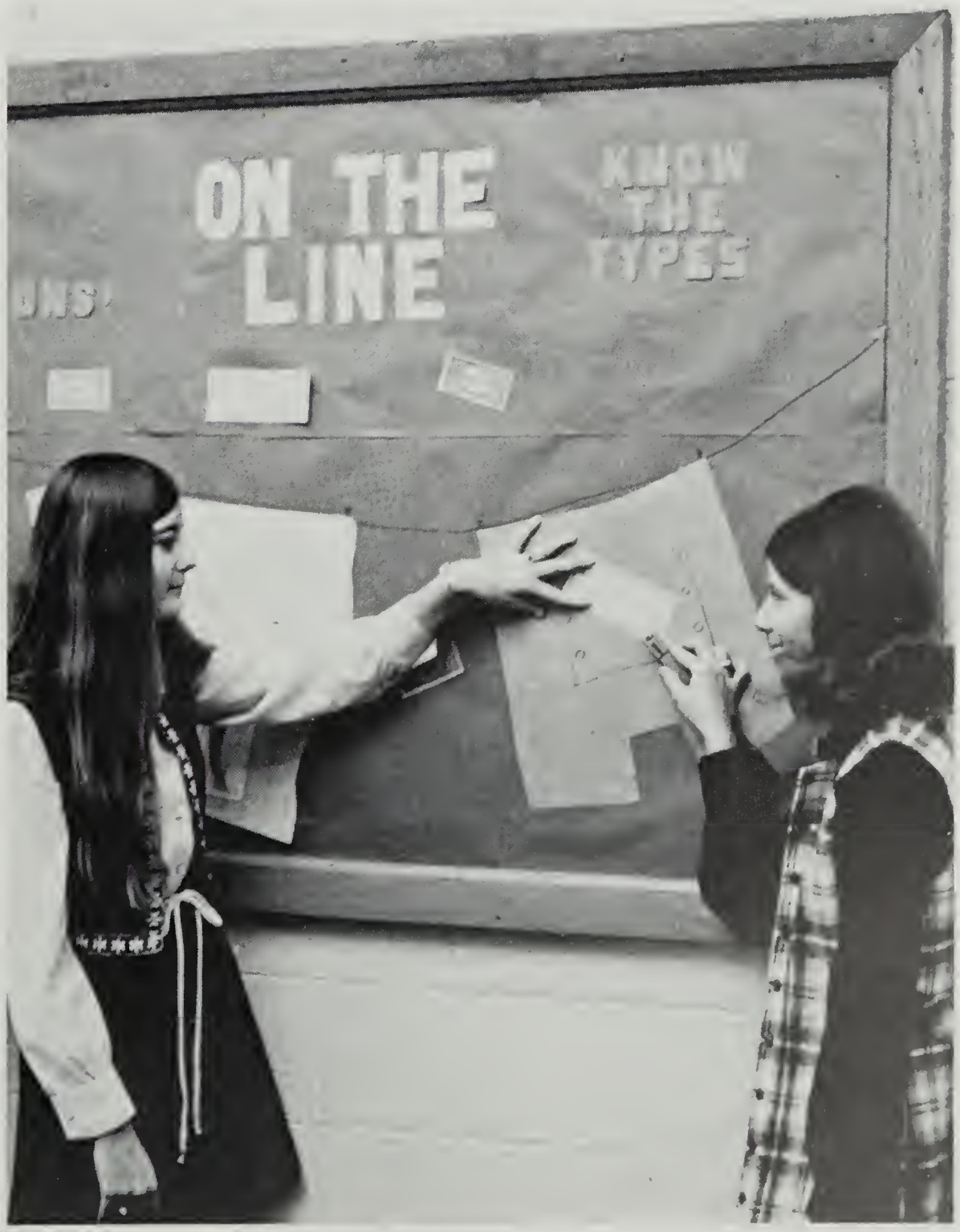
TOP: David Millsap uses one of the many high powered instruments to repair equipment for Shop. ABOVE: Mike Tate sharpens the blade of his knife. BOTTOM LEFT: Students are well protected when working with dangerous instruments in the Shop.

TOP LEFT: Johnny Crigger and Jerry Townsend apply finishing touches to an end table in Shop. TOP RIGHT: Jeter Cook and Doug Harris stain a gun rack they created in Shop. BOTTOM: Charlie Puckett receives special instructions on welding from Mr. Oliver.

Foreign Recipes Inspire Students

Home Economics

Parents tell their daughters to take home economics because, "every girl should know how to cook and sew." However, as girls learned this year, home economics meant that and much more. First and second year girls were intent on learning the basic fundamentals of clothing construction and nutrition. Third year students went into specialized areas, such as needlepoint, making desserts and home nursing, while fourth year students extended their knowledge of home economics by seeking to insure perfection in what they had already learned and increasing their ability with foreign cooking, tailoring and interior decorating.



TOP: Michele Smeltzer constructs a garment for her own use. ABOVE: Beverly Garrett kneads the dough for perfect biscuits every time. BOTTOM: Connie Campbell and Sue Hagy add a touch of perfection to their money management bulletin board.

Occupational Retreat Encourages Students

Technical School

To break the monotony of the routine days, some of the students have been going to the Technical School. While they still found the atmosphere of school, they have learned one of many trades offered and their place in the world of business. They were able to take classes in such areas as auto mechanics, practical nursing, cosmetology, masonry, home economics and business courses. While learning an exciting trade students still had fun.

TOP RIGHT: Buster Singleton uses his welding ability for class project. ABOVE: Students work with "ozone" torch to trim metal down to size. BOTTOM RIGHT: Randy Wampler experiments with electricity by using dry cell batteries.

TOP LEFT: Larry Morton takes his mechanical drawing seriously as he works on perfecting his highly developed skills. TOP RIGHT: Becky Wampler puts her much admired techniques to work as she sets a customer's hair. ABOVE: This manicure given by Fay Reynolds is another skill that can be put into practice long before graduation.

TOP LEFT: Richard Dicks demonstrates another occupational skill taught at the technical school. Masonry may prove to be of much value to him later in life. TOP RIGHT: Dulsy Childress combines her love of clothing and her occupational sewing class to create attractive apparel to wear to school. ABOVE: Wanda Marsh plays nurse to the most co-operative "dummy" in the practical nursing class.

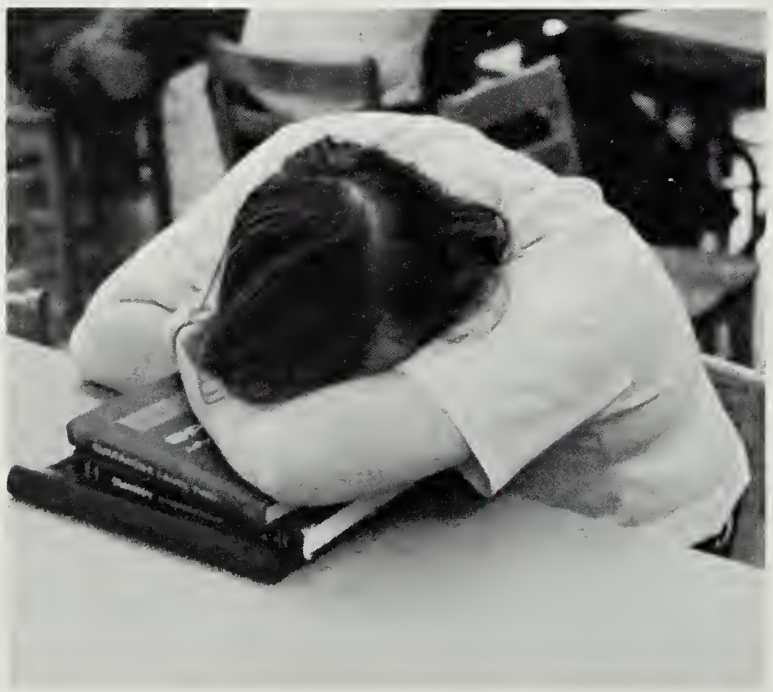
Rehearsals Produce Beautiful Sounds

Chorus

After the hustle and bustle of all the hectic rehearsals, the students in chorus were able to produce a beautiful sound called singing. They were all able to sing the right notes at the right tempo and exactly loud or soft enough. Then all of the extra practices seemed worth it to everyone.

TOP LEFT: Evelyn Galliher, Donnie Holtsinger, Terry Smith and Johna Owens join together to add harmony to a beautiful song. BELOW: Ken Farmer, Terry Smith, Diane Hutton, Page Southerlin, Connie Campbell, Sue Hagy, Sharon Tate, Kim Stigers, Kathy Moretz, Connie Mills, Donnie Holtsinger and Arlene Turner join Miss Taylor around the piano.

TOP LEFT: Susan Munsey uses study hall to work on a term paper. TOP RIGHT: Nancy Altizer improves chess skills in Senior Study. BOTTOM LEFT: Study hall provides relaxation for Rufus Moore. BOTTOM RIGHT: Johna Owens uses the equipment in the Guidance Office.



Free Period Offers Chance to Relax

Study Hall

Everyone sit down and be quiet! This is one of the regular comments one hears while in study hall. This period is used for driver's training, visits to the library, making up tests, and doing extra work. Lucky seniors have their own private study where they are able to enjoy some of the "special" privileges.

Craft Projects Gain Enthusiasm

Art

Mrs. Blevins and her creative mind have been experimenting again! She taught the classes to hook rugs and embroider as well as to draw, paint, and carve. The students have learned to do many relaxing and creative things. Some of them enjoyed knitting and the arts of working with various paints. Many of the drawings were on display in the hall near the art room.

TOP: Some students enrolled in Art classes made sculptures from clay. BOTTOM LEFT: Diane Price learned the ancient art of crocheting. ABOVE: Jackie Easterly used oil paints to create a lasting work of art.

Debate Team Receives District Championship

Debate

Four spirited participants made up this year's debate team, discussing the controversial subject; "Federal Funding of Public Education". The affirmative team, consisting of Tommy Arnold and Kit Grantham, won 3 out of 4 debates and helped to give the team the title of "district champs". It was their opinion that "federal funding was the answer to major problems in education". The negative team composed of Anne Sironko and Leah Fleenor, argued that "too much federal spending would give the federal government too much control." The debate team traveled to different schools, including Lord Botetourt High in Fincastle, Virginia, for the purpose of debating with other students.

UPPER RIGHT: Leah Fleenor and Anne Sironko check recent articles from various magazines to support topic. LOWER: Tommy Arnold and Kit Gratham are busy at work, preparing their arguments for the next debating tournament.

Local Businesses Support Classes

Distributive Education

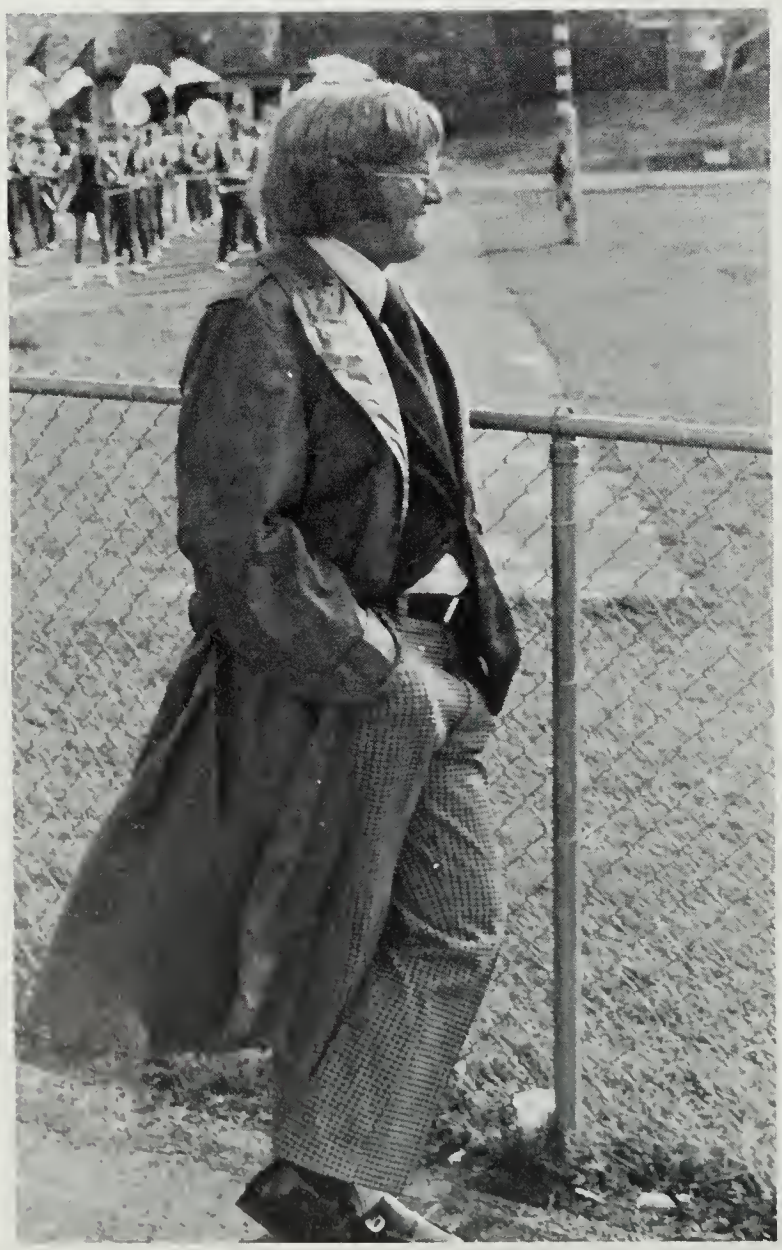
Marketing and distribution were the main emphases placed on students enrolled in Distributive Education classes. Their goal is to promote the understanding and appreciation for the responsibliities of the enterprise system. Mr. Ken Epling and Mr. John Elliott teach such things as sales techniques, display, sales demonstrations and interviews in the morning and afternoon classes. During the course of the year, students take a job in or around Abingdon to put to use the techniques they have learned.

UPPER RIGHT: Kathy Fugate works as a cashier at the Minute-Ette Food Market. MIDDLE: Dean Pope also works part time at the Minute-Ette as part of his D.E. training. LOWER RIGHT: Polly Thayer makes Singleton's Department Store her choice for work. ABOVE: Virginia Culbertson does a variety of work at Singleton's.

Musicians Retain Number One Rating

Band

The Falcon musicians got off to a "flying start" as they entertained thousands of fans during football season. The band performed for numerous parades, concerts, and festivals. They participated at an Emory and Henry football game, and always placed number one in every competition. In an effort to develop an even bigger and better band, a new "flag corps" was added. Eight girls made up the red, white, and blue squad. The marching band's spring trip to "Six Flags over Georgia" proved to not only be one of pleasure, but gave senior band members a new sense of inspiration. The majorettes performed with the marching band during football games, and in parades and band festivals. The intermediate band is made up of members from the eighth and ninth grades. This year they participated in the Christmas concert, Spring concert, Burley Tobacco Festival parade, and received a "one rating" in district band competition.

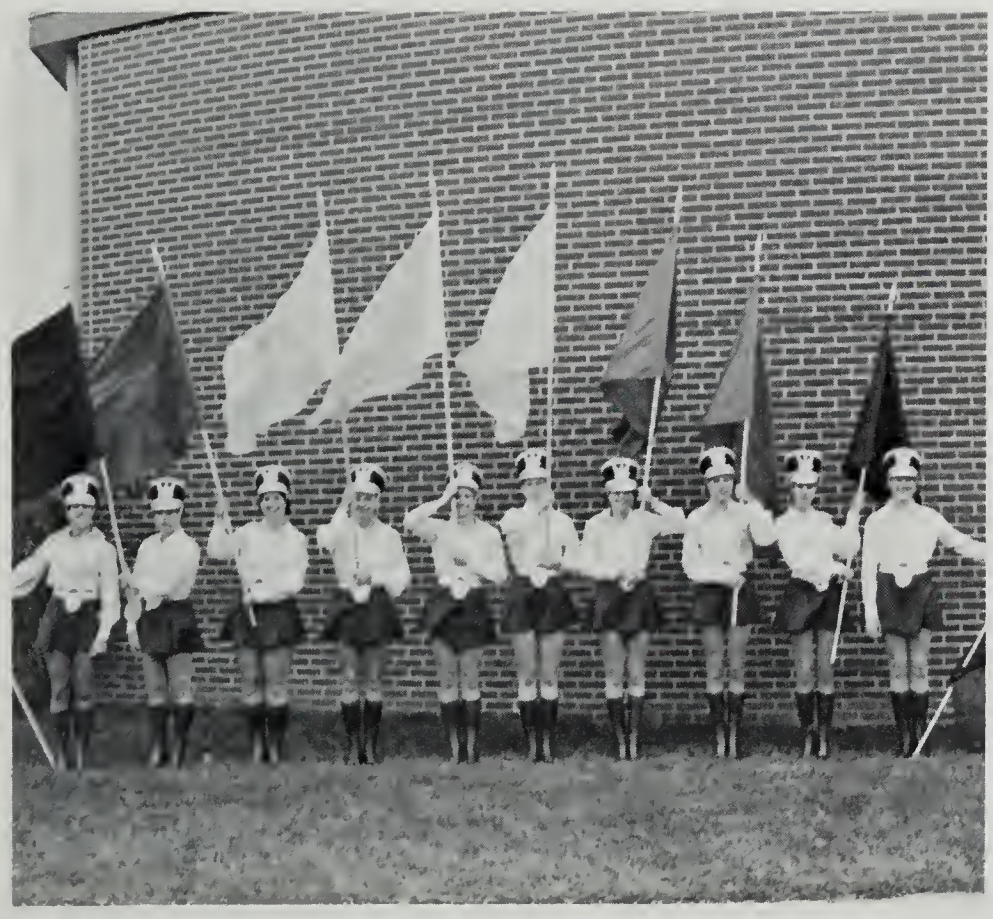


UPPER RIGHT: The Abingdon Band Officers for the 1972-73 season are George Morrison, President; Susan Chitwood, Drum Major; Elaine Bradley, Secretary; Sharon Honaker, Head Majorette; Beth Collins, Reporter; and Gail Johnson, Treasurer. LOWER LEFT: Mr. Mickey Tyler, band director, looks on as area bands line up for judging at the Southeastern Band Festival. LOWER RIGHT: Head Drum Major, Susan Chitwood demonstrates some of that "Falcon Pride" as she accepts a trophy for the Division One Rating.

Members of the "A" Band are, FRONT ROW: Teresa Cunningham, Kim Yates, Robin Riddle, Margie Pinkerton, Mardia Bradley, Becky Barnett, Judy Schaffer, Kathy Russell, Cathy Carr, Debbie Durrett, Tracey Sweet, Leah Fleenor, Elaine Bradley. SECOND ROW: Karen Gentry, Herbie Ellis, Susan Widener, Fay Pope, Sabrina Gilliam, Sharon Honaker, Ed Sheffield, French Moore, Cathy Lowe, Pam Stevens, Ed Howard, Susan Woody, Janie Gold, Leon Booth, Lee Phipps. THIRD ROW: Missy Pace, Freda Dye, Betty Parker, Guy Barrow. FOURTH ROW: Susan Price, Eddie Price, Vaughn Gardner, Sally Pinkerton, Linda Bartlett, Julie Gold, Cathy McCall, Nancy Crigger, Gail Johnson, George Morrison, Rana Duncan, Lewis Harris, Gary Hagy, Cathy Taylor, Vickie Anderson, Marsha Jones, Mike Elswick, Kathy Reed, Bob Nelson, Susan Price. FIFTH ROW: Sandy Snead, Leesa Roe, Wayne Holliday, David Price, David Millsap, Micky Buchanan, Terry Smith, Susan Barrow, Randy Cole, Greg Ellis, Freddie Dye, and Beth Collins.

Members of the "B" Band are, FRONT ROW: Cindy Thompson, Erin Johnston, Linda Fleenor, Marylou Moore, Traci Yates, Melissa Easterly, Donita Moore, Chloe Gentry, Becky Hagy. SECOND ROW: Cathy Flanary, Judy Woody, Carol Brown, Jane Thornton, Robin Sarkovics, Dorothy Inman, Jane Johnson, Peggy Kimberlin, Melissa Abel, Charlie Hutton, Cindy Callahan, Amy Stringer, Brenda Belcher. THIRD ROW: Neal Raines, Jenny Smith, Connie Callahan, Mary Jo Johnson, Lynn Snyder, Rhonda Engle, Tommy Phipps, Bradley Thayer, Cindy Harris, John Jenkins, Lisa Price, Tim Moretz, Gina McCroskey, Bobby ReMines, Elizabeth Puyear, Cathy Thayer, Vickie Heisler, Beth Roberts, Randy Phelps, Ken Chittum and Cheryl Cuskey.

ABOVE: Members selected for the All County Band are, FRONT ROW: Susan Widener, Rana Duncan, Sandy Snead, SECOND ROW: Teresa Cunningham, Kim Yates, Missy Pace, Julie Gold, Linda Bartlett, Mardia Bradley, Susan Woody, Elaine Bradley, Karen Gentry, THIRD ROW: Sharon Honaker, Ed Howard, Jim Kelly, Leesa Roe, David Price, Beth Collins, Debbie Durrett, FOURTH ROW: Ed Sheffield, Greg Ellis, Vaughn Gardener, Gary Hagy, Robin Riddle, Herbie Ellis, George Morrison, Randy Cole, Eddie Price, Stan Carter, French Moore. BELOW: Members selected to compete in the All Regional Band are, FRONT ROW: Susan Price, Vaughn Gardner, Mardia Bradley, Elaine Bradley, Gail Johnson, Brenda Susan Price, SECOND ROW: Mike Elswick, George Morrison, Eddie Price, Teresa Cunningham, Kim Yates, Robin Riddle.



ABOVE: Majorettes for the 1972-73 season are Cathy Reed, Becky Barnett, Sabrina Gilliam, Robin Riddle, Sharon Honaker, Karen Gentry and Debbie Durrett. ABOVE: Flag girls for the band are Laura Ryland, Carol Wilson, Patti Elliott, Lisa Roberts, Cindy Heisler, Mardia Bradley, Beth Collins, Suzanne May, Donna Montgomery and Lennace Hearld. LOWER RIGHT: Head Majorette, Sharon Honaker.

Reflections of Individuals

As Edited by: Debbie Bare and
Paige Southerlin

County Administrators

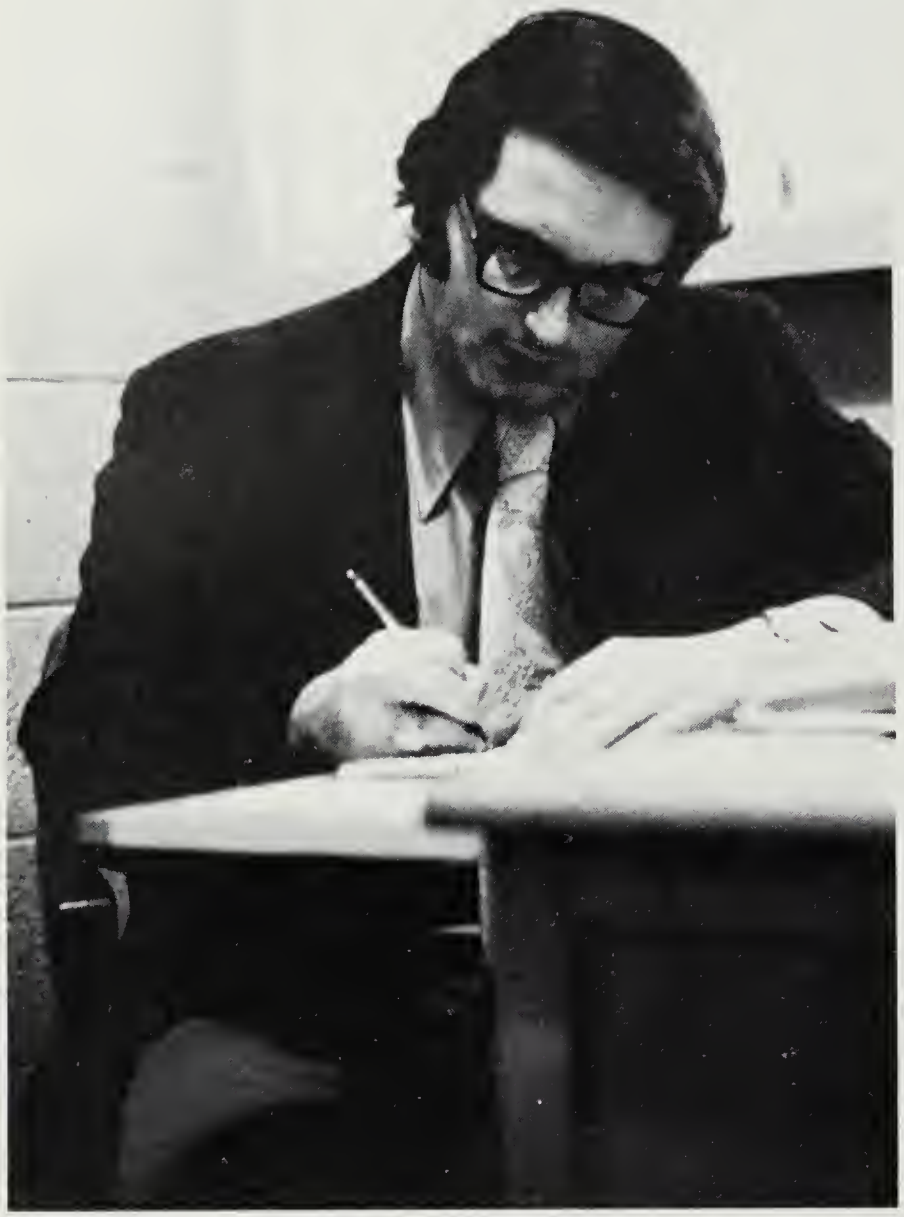
RIGHT: Mr. E.B. Stanley, Superintendent of Schools in Washington County, is interested in the total school program. Here he presents to George Pope and Dan Richards a second place trophy for our school's participation in the Washington County Basketball Tournament. BELOW: The Washington County School Board's members are: SEATED: Mr. John Copenhaver, Mrs. Jane Sheffey, Miss May Jo Craig, Mr. Wirt Foster. STANDING: Mr. R.L. May, Mr. E.B. Stanley, Mr. Henry Snodgrass, and Mr. James Lee.

New Leadership at Abingdon High

Principal

Abingdon High reflected many changes this year: in academics, in students and in faculty members. Perhaps the most prominent change was the addition of the new principal, Mr. Aubrey Brown. Although, it was only his first year at our school, Mr. Brown accepted his demanding responsibilities with pride. Portraying wise leadership skills, he supervised the school well. He worked closely with members of the school board and school patrons. Evaluation teams demanded a great amount of his time, as he led the total school in preparing for evaluation week. He also worked as an evaluation committee member, visiting other schools. Mr. Brown never failed to offer his congratulations to a deserving student or teacher.

TOP LEFT: Mr. Brown takes advantage of the new Xerox machine. ABOVE: A teacher can always go to Mr. Brown for assistance. LEFT: Mr. Brown discusses matters of importance over the telephone.



Administrators Plan for Successful Year

Administration

ABOVE LEFT: Mr. James Gregory, Dean of Students, works hard at scheduling club activities and special school events. He is also in charge of student attendance. ABOVE RIGHT: Mr. Kenneth Mathews, Assistant Principal, has many duties to perform in his everv day life at Abingdon High School. He works closely with guidance counselors in preparing student's schedules and is in charge of school transportation and buses. RIGHT: Mr. V. T. Rector, also Assistant Principal, works long hours on the maintenance of the building and school grounds. He is in charge of the textbook rental system, grading system, and traffic control in the student parking lot.

Secretaries Manage Office Business

Secretaries

TOP LEFT: Mrs. Nancy Brown manages the everyday ups and downs of the main office secretary with great ease and pleasure. She always greets students and teachers with a smile and is willing to aid them. Mrs. Brown takes care of school insurance and issues forms for driver's licenses to students. BOTTOM LEFT: Mrs. Euva Sutherland prepares monthly attendance records to be presented to the school board. Mrs. Sutherland is secretary for Mr. Gregory and Mr. Rector. She issues early dismissal and tardy excuses and handles all correspondence from the Dean's Office. BELOW: Mrs. Shirley Landreth is a new face at Abingdon High School. She acts as school treasurer and keeps business records of all clubs and classes. Her days here are busy ones since she is Mr. Aubrey Brown's presonal secretary.

Mrs. Evangeline Adams
Home Economics I and II
F.H.A. Sponsor

Mrs. Nancy Allison
English 8 and 9

Mr. Vanover demonstrates his amazing talent on the drums for the student body.

Mr. Larry Bales
Boy's Physical Education 9 and 10
Driver's Training Instructor
Head Football Coach
Head Golf Coach

Mr. Jerry Bishop
Sociology
Boy's Physical Education 10
Driver's Training Instructor
Head Baseball Coach
Head Basketball Coach

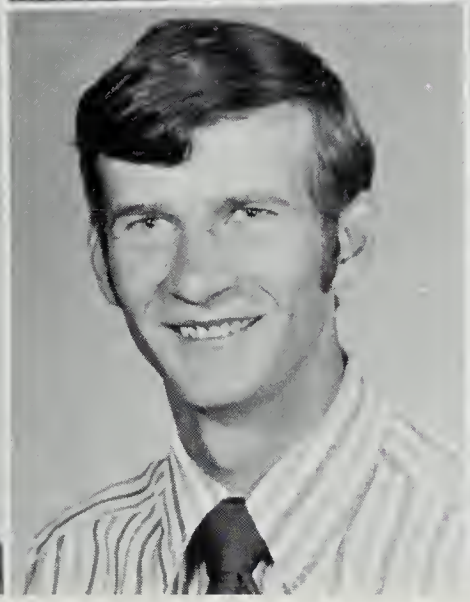
Mrs. Mary Blevins
Art
Flame Tri-Hi-Y Sponsor

Mrs. Vicki Bostic
Journalism
English 8 and 11
Talon Sponsor

Mr. Robert Buchanan
Math 8 and 9
Consumer Math
Driver's Training Instructor

Mr. Douglas Carty
Horticulture I and III

Dr. Sylvia Castellanos
Spanish
Student Cooperative Association
Co-Sponsor



Miss Ann Clark
Librarian
Library Club Sponsor

Mr. Berkley Clear
U.S. History
World History
Head Track Coach

Mrs. Ruth Copenhaver
Guidance Counselor

Coach Clear enjoys a second cup of coffee as he and Mr. Sheffield listen to the announcements at a teachers' meeting.

Mrs. Beatrice Cox
Biology
Ecology
F.T.A. Sponsor

Mr. William Crabtree
Agriculture
F.F.A. Sponsor

Miss Linda Crenshaw
World Geography

Miss Sharon Deel
Math 8 and 9
Algebra II
Eighth Grade Cheerleaders
Sponsor

Mrs. Suzanne Edwards
Government
World Affairs

Distributive Education II and III

Mrs. Betsy Ely
English 8,9, and 12

Mr. Kennith Epling
Distributive Education II

Teachers Prepare for Evaluation

Evaluation committees kept the faculty at Abingdon High busy this year as teachers prepared for visiting evaluation teams in March. Many faculty members visited other schools, working as members of an evaluation team. Grading papers, lecturing classes, and attending early morning meetings were routines of the average teacher. Still, time was found for entertaining events. The women faculty beat the Civinettes in an exciting "powder-puff" football game. They also won over the Girl's All-Star Basketball Team. The men faculty won their basketball game with the Interact Club in a hard fought game before the student body. Students saw teachers in a "different situation", as they participated in the Teacher Talent Show; singing, playing musical instruments, and twirling batons. Outside of school, faculty members enjoyed special interests such as farming, motorcycling, and sports. Reflections of knowledge, hard work, discipline, and human interest characterized our faculty.

Coach Buchanan, Coach Bishop and Coach Rutledge watch tensely as the game goes on.

Mrs. Baja Johnson
Study Hall

Mrs. Beatrice Jerrue
U. S. History
Debate Team Sponsor

Mrs. Charlotte Reedy
English 8 and 9
Literary Club Sponsor

Mr. Tony Hughes
Geometry

Mr. Donald Fleenor
Algebra I
Analysis
Geometry
Sr. Science Club Sponsor

Mr. Fred Selfe (Not Pictured)
Driver's Training Instructor
Boy's Physical Education 9 and 10
Math 8
Head Wrestling Coach

Mrs. Judy Farris
Girl's Physical Education 8 and 9

Mrs. Virginia Flanagan
Science
Jr. Tri-Hi-Y Sponsor

Mr. James Fletcher
U.S. History
Interact Club Sponsor

Mr. John Garrett
Industrial Arts I and II

Mr. John Goodwin
Special Shop
Industrial Arts II

Mrs. Flossie Hicks
Study Hall

Mrs. Jeannette Hargroves
Home Economics I
Home Economics IV
F.H.A. Sponsor

Mr. William Hicks
Math 8 and 9
Science 8

Student teachers from Emory and Henry College are Miss Susan Hiler, English; Miss Linda Critzer, French; Miss Sharron Perkins, Health and Physical Education.

Mrs. Marie Harris
Library Assistant

Mr. Danny Jessee
Math 8 and 9
Algebra I

Mrs. Sandra Jonas
English 8 and 10

Mrs. Linda Kiser
Typing I
Bookkeeping
General Business
F.B.L.A. Sponsor

Mr. Mike Lethcoe
Science 9
Head Tennis Coach

Mrs. Wilma Lineberry
College Math
Math 8
Algebra II

Mrs. Juanita McBride
Assistant Librarian

Mr. Tommy McConnell
Math 9
Vocational Algebra I
Jr. Science Club Sponsor

The charleston is not out of style for two members of the Abingdon High School staff, Mrs. Hicks and Mrs. Henry.

Mrs. Cheryl Mitchell
English 8
Director-Free Spirits

Mrs. Jane Moore
French

Mr. Darius Oliver
Agriculture II, III, and IV
F.F.A. Sponsor

Mrs. Sue Peters
Shorthand 1
Office Practice
Typing I and II

Mr. Lethcoe, protecting his broken leg, scans the study hall.

Mrs. Ruby Pigman
Guidance Counselor

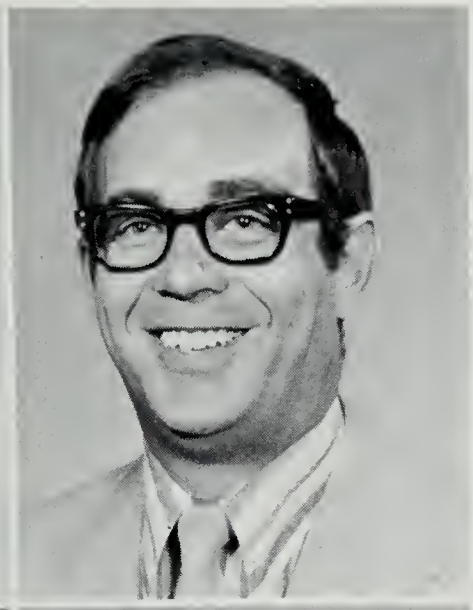
Mrs. Shirley Raines
Chemistry
Science 8
Sr. Tri-Hi-Y Sponsor

Mr. Karl Reedy
Ecology
Science 9

Mr. Gary Ringley
World Geography

Mrs. June Roberts
English 11
Beacon Staff Sponsor

Mr. Gail Rutledge
Boy's Physical Education 8 and 9
Jr. Sr. Hi-Y Sponsor



Mrs. Gwen Shaffer
Girl's Physical Education 8 and 9
Varsity Cheerleaders Sponsor

Mr. Edwin Sheffield
Science 8 and 9
Physics
Sr. Science Club Sponsor

Mrs. Jean Shelton
English 10 and 12
Student Cooperative Association Sponsor

Mrs. Doris Southerlin
English 10 and 11
N.H.S. Sponsor

Mrs. Joan Sutherland
Reading I and II

Miss Watson was one of the teachers who entertained the students in the Teacher Talent Show, sponsored by the Beacon Staff.

Miss Virginia Taylor
Chorus

Mr. Mickey Tyler
Band

Mr. Pat Smith (Not Pictured)
English 9 and 10
Speech
One-Act Play Sponsor

Mr. Roger Vanover
Civics
Governnent
Key Club Sponsor

Miss Judy Wallace
Girl's Physical Education 10
Driver's Training
Varsity Cheerleaders Sponsor

Miss Beth Watson
English 9
Latin 1
J. V. Cheerleaders Sponsor

Mrs. Virginia Witherspoon
Guidance Counselor

Mrs. Lena Woolwine
English 12
Humanities
Forensics Sponsor

Mrs. Iva Wright
Guidance Secretary

Miss Wallace displays her musical ability in the Teacher Talent Show, along with Mrs. Flanagan and Mr. Vanover.

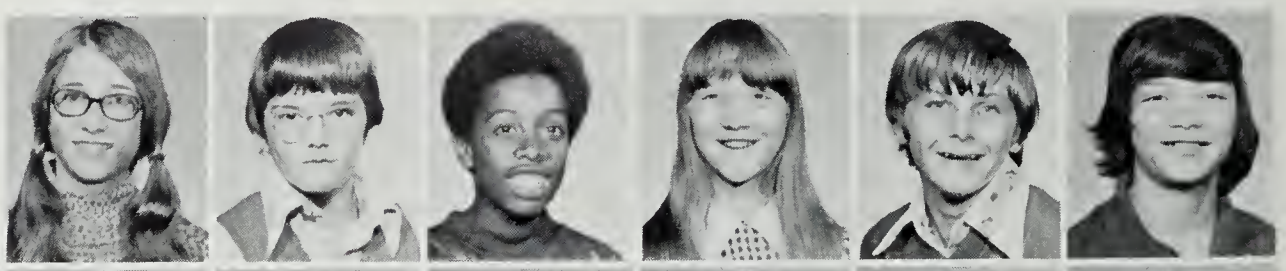
TOP: Our bus drivers, Mr. Hunter Farris, Mr. Cecil Webb, Mr. Jack Thomas, Mr. Henry Fields, and Mr. Elbert Umbarger, pause before taking students home. BOTTOM LEFT: Mr. James Thompson, Mr. Oscar Fields, and Mr. J.D. Crenshaw, our custodians, maintain the school facilities. BOTTOM RIGHT: KNEELING: Mrs. Betty Dye; STANDING: Mrs. Brenda Reynolds, Mrs. Pauline Harless, Mrs. Ruby Harless, Mrs. Dorsey Mitchell, Mrs. Margaret Price, Mrs. Elizabeth Henry; BACK ROW: Mr. Paul Whiteaker. This is our cafeteria staff.

Eighth Grade Class Officers: Stella Harless, V. Pres., Debbie McCroskey, Sec., Denny Farmer, Pres., Ann Maiden, Treas., Melissa Easterly, Rep.

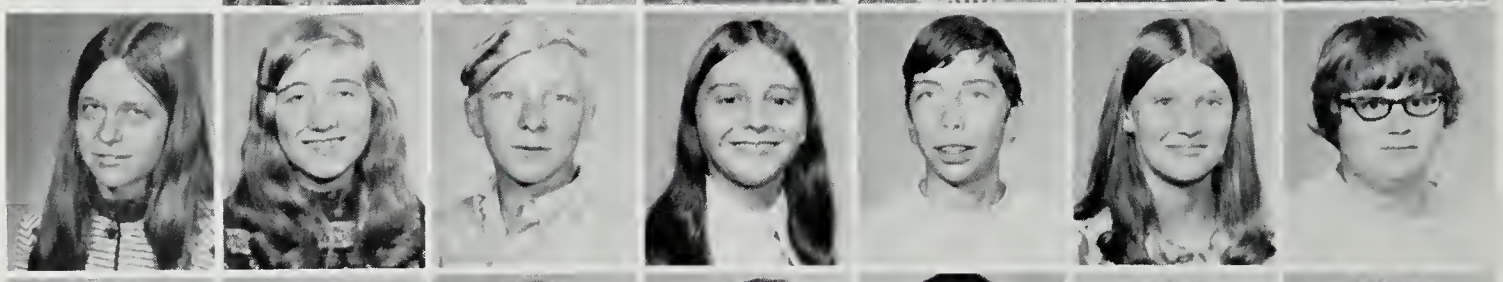
Eighth Graders Experience Change

"Hey, what happens if we're late for class? Do you think the teachers will care?" Our first year at A.H.S. brought many strange, but interesting adjustments. One of the biggest was learning to get to our next class in the allotted time. We were wary of gym classes with exercises and showering, but we learned that physical education was a great part of our day. At our first class meeting we elected our class officers. This was the beginning of our long adventure through high school. We realized that we were the future leaders of our school. This year at A.H.S. was a very impressionable one, and was the first of five great years at our school.

Debbie Able
Mark Altizer
Antione Anderson
Sandra Anderson
Gary Andis
Eddie Arnett

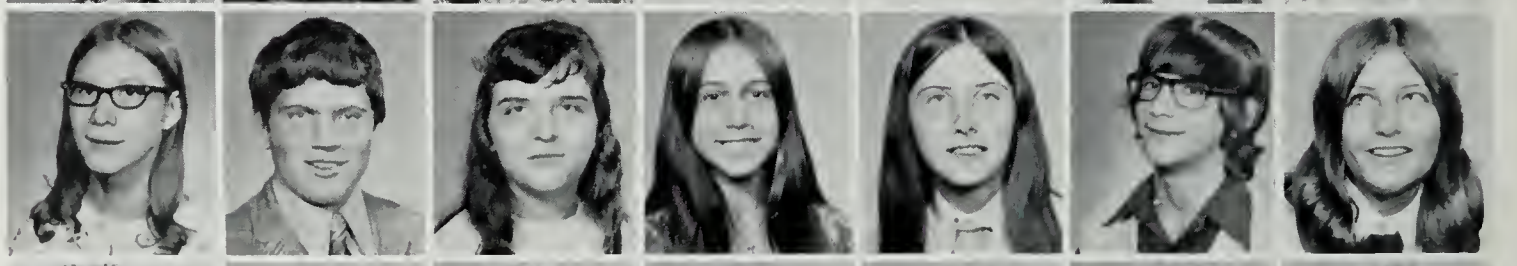


Esther Arnold
Frances Arnold
Kenny Arnold
Susan Arnold
Paul Arrington
Jackie Atkins
Joyce Atkins



Austin Atwell
Tammy Bailey
Judy Baldwin
Krista Ball
Marty Barker
Janet Barnes
Johnny Bebber

Linda Berry
Marty Berry
Linda Bevins
Vicky Blevins
Gay Bogue
Thornton Bowman
Monica Branson



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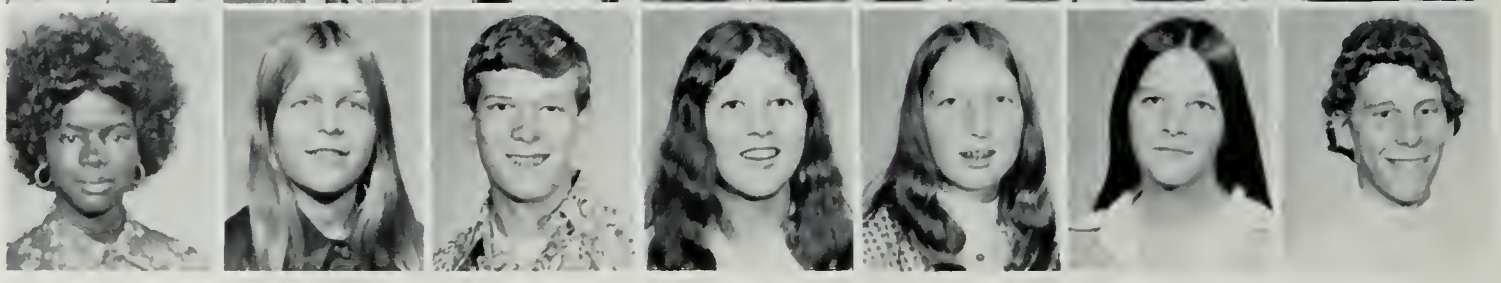
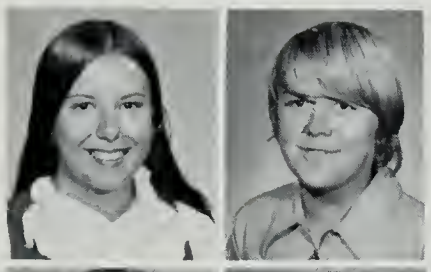
Chris Brown
Charles Burke
Debbie Burke
Cindy Callahan
Connie Callahan
Robert Campany





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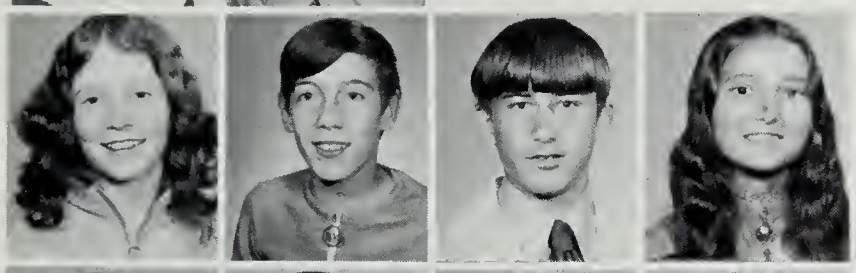
Russell Carmack



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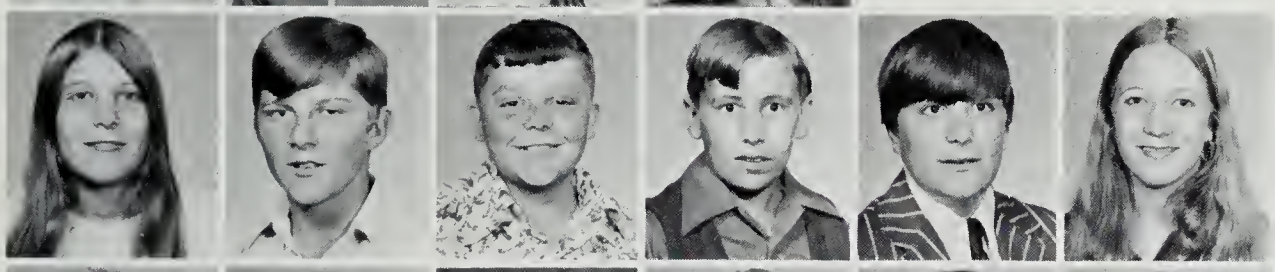
Ralph Carty
Ricky Casey
Vanessa Casey



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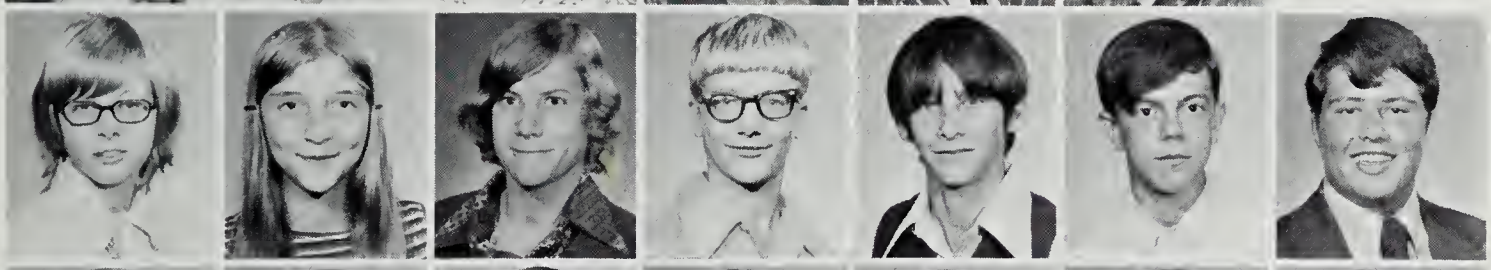
Scottie Childress
Ronald Clappse
Scottie Coleman
Jeter Cook
Beth Cooke



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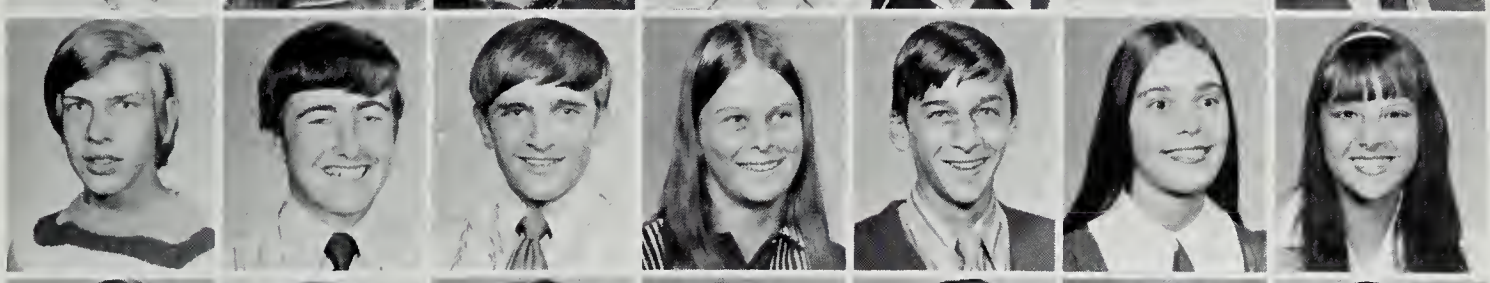
Teresa Counts
Shawn Crookshank
Randy Crusenberry
Clifton Culbertson
Harold Cutshall
James Davis



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Mark DeBusk
Tommy Derting
Alice Dobyns
Roddy Durrett
Melissa Easterly
Louise Eastridge

Doug Ellis
Mike Ellison
Donna Emmert
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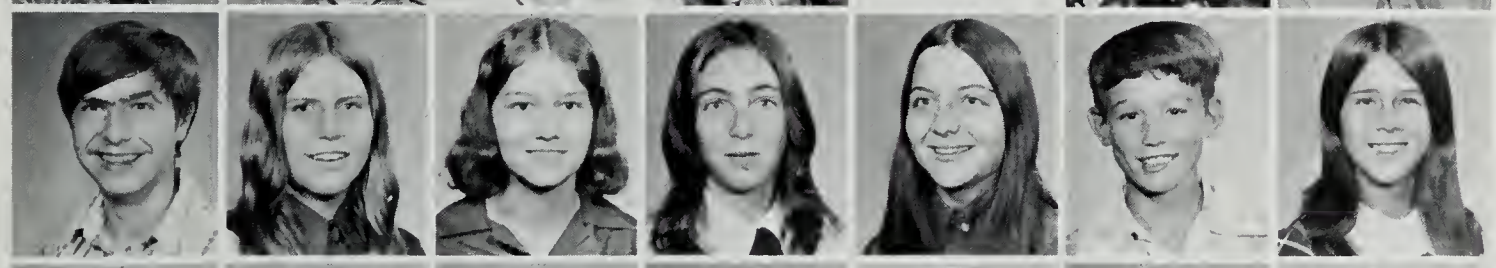
Dorothy Fields
Joyce Fields
Mary Fields
Ronald Fields



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Karla Flanagan
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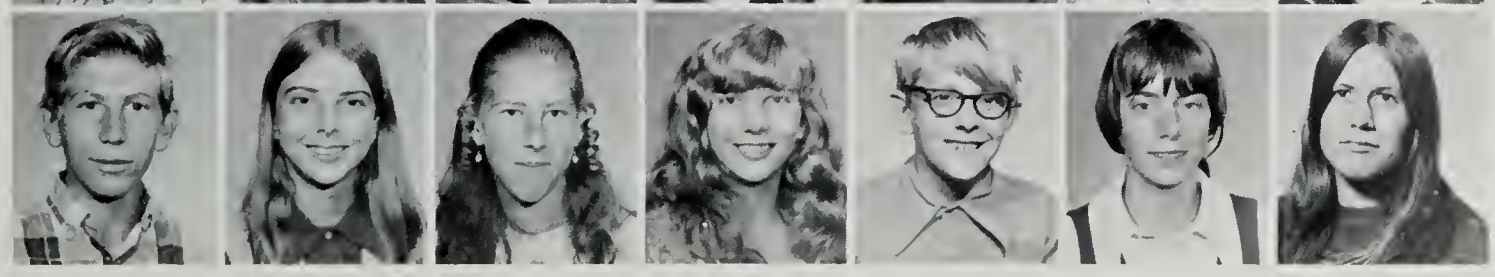
Lynda Fleenor
Walter Fulton
Julia Galliher



Ira Garland
Beverly Garrett
Brenda Garrett
Chloe Gentry
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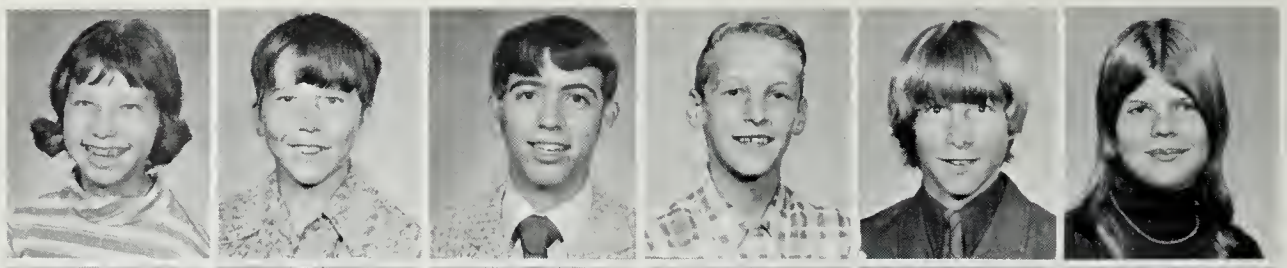
Patricia Glover
Barbara Gobble

Mary Gobble
Mac Goodman
Freddie Goodson
Ricky Goodson
Jerry Grantham
Tammy Graybeal



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Shari Grubb
Pam Halsey
David Hamilton
Brenda Hamm
Stella Harless

Alan Harris
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Jeff Hawley
Karen Hay
Billy Hearl
David Hearl
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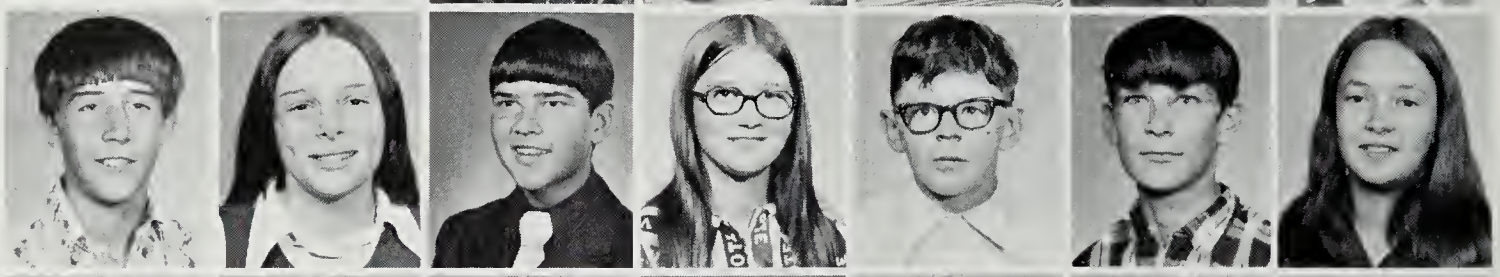

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Vicky Heisler
Sharon Henegar
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Mary Ruth Hughes
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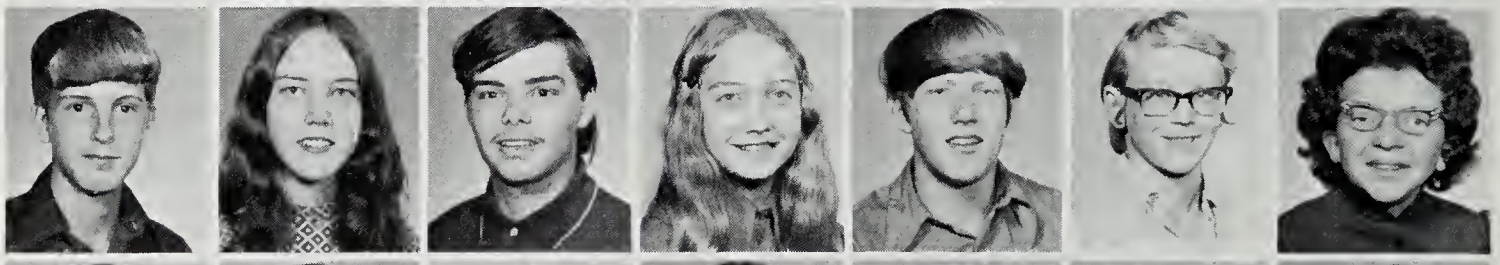
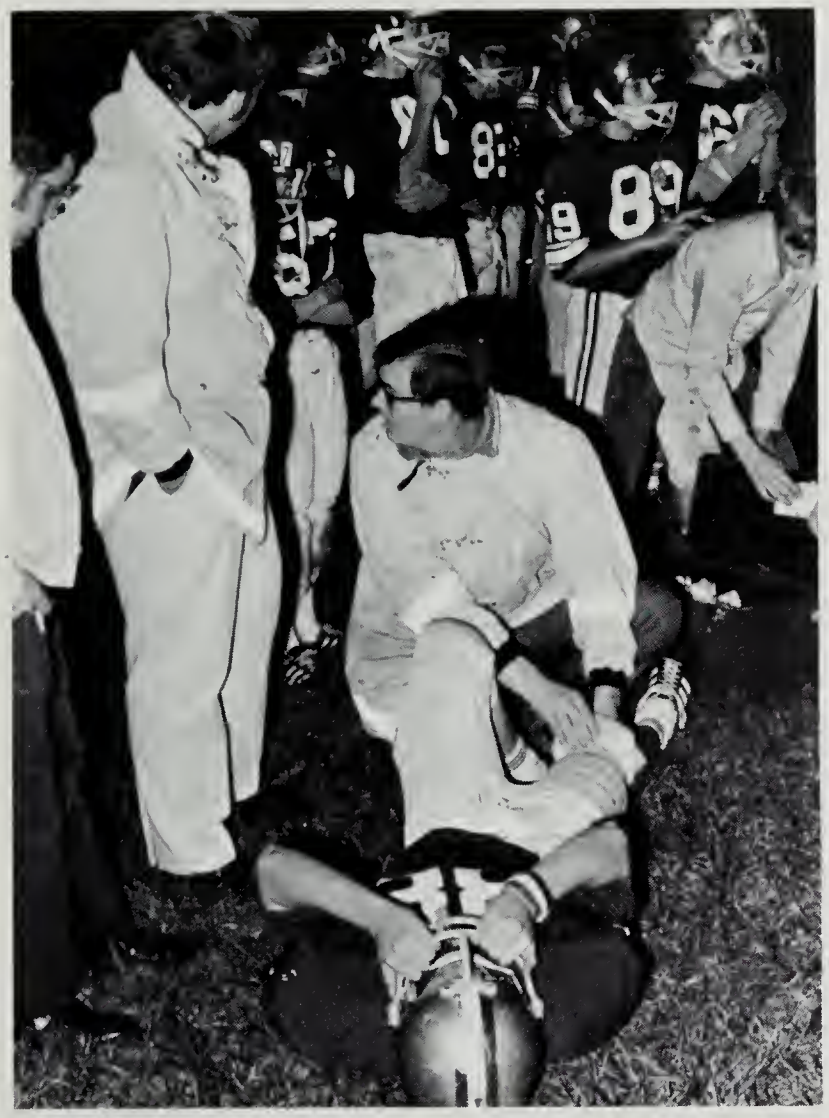


David Jackson
Steve Jackson
Jane Johnson
Mary Joe Johnson
Sara Johnson
Erin Johnston
Johnny Jones

Judy Baldwin exercises on the universal gym during P.E. class.



A life saving crew member administers aid to Mark Debusk.

John Jordan
Roy Keller
Kyle Kennedy

Mary Kestner
Phyllis King
Mike Lang

Eddie Large
Tommy Latham
Kathy Leppert

Jerry Lethcoe
Danny Little
Leslie Litton

Tammy Loyd
Ricky Mabe
Ann Maiden
Brenda Marsh
Kay Martin
Glenda McCall
Kay McCloud

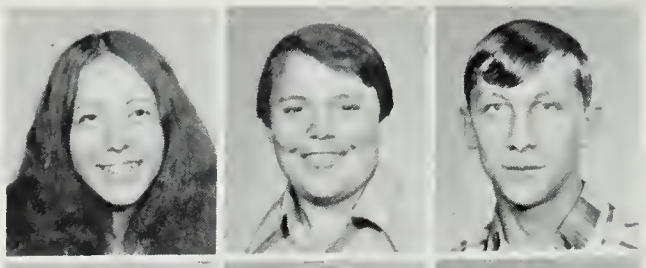
Teresa McClure
Debbie McCroskey
Gina McCroskey
Rhonda McCroskey
Shelia McCroskey
Debra McElyea
Mike Meade

Kelvin Medley
Baker Miller
Nancy Miller
Steve Miller
Audrey Mills
David Millsap
Diane Millsap

Donna Minnick
Randy Minton
James Mitchell
Lee Mitchell
Rapunzel Mitchell
Jane Molinatto
Kim Montgomery

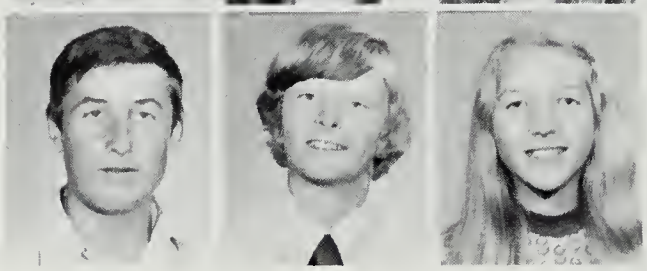
Rita Montgomery
Cindy Moore
Donita Moore
Marilou Moore
William Moore
Timmy Moretz
James Morris

Betty Mulkey
Richard Murray
Ronald Norris



J.D. Nunley
Louise Oney
Christy Orfield

Wayne Otey
Bryan Owens
Terry Owens



Eighth graders participate in the pledge to the flag.

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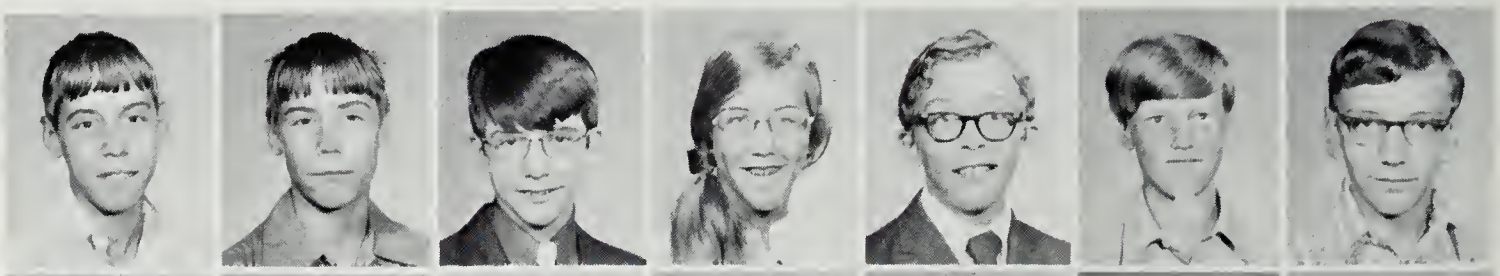
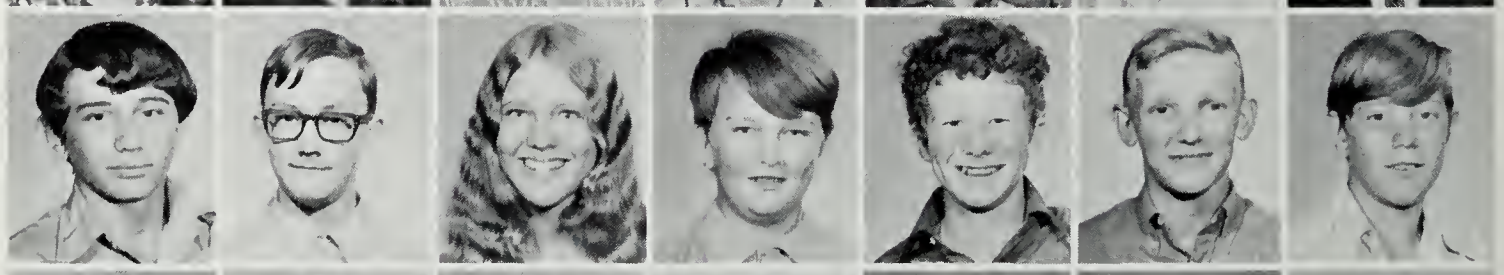
Eddie Patterson
Keith Peters
Lori Pfann
Mike Pierce
Dewayne Phelps
Curtis Phillips



Nancy Phipps
Tommy Phipps
Peggy Poole
Charles Puckett
Elizabeth Puyear
Neil Raines
Tony Raines

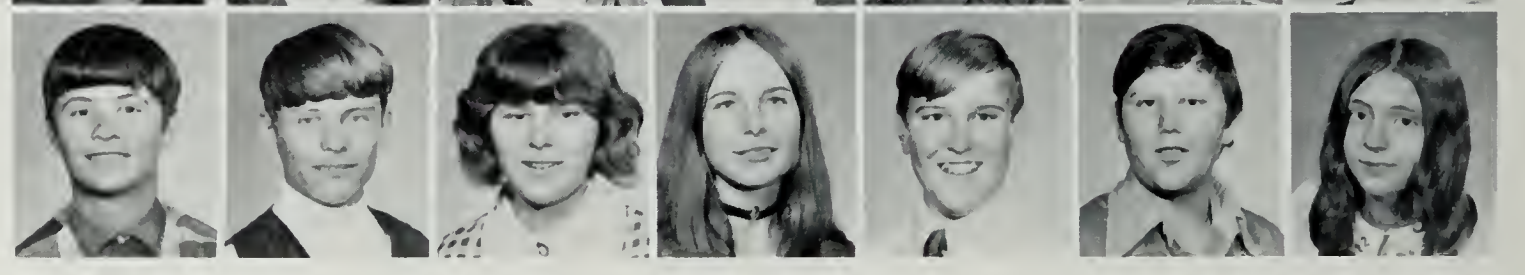
Robert Rash
Danny Rasnake
Audrey Ratliff
Richard Ray
Billy Reynolds
Jay Reynolds
Roger Reynolds

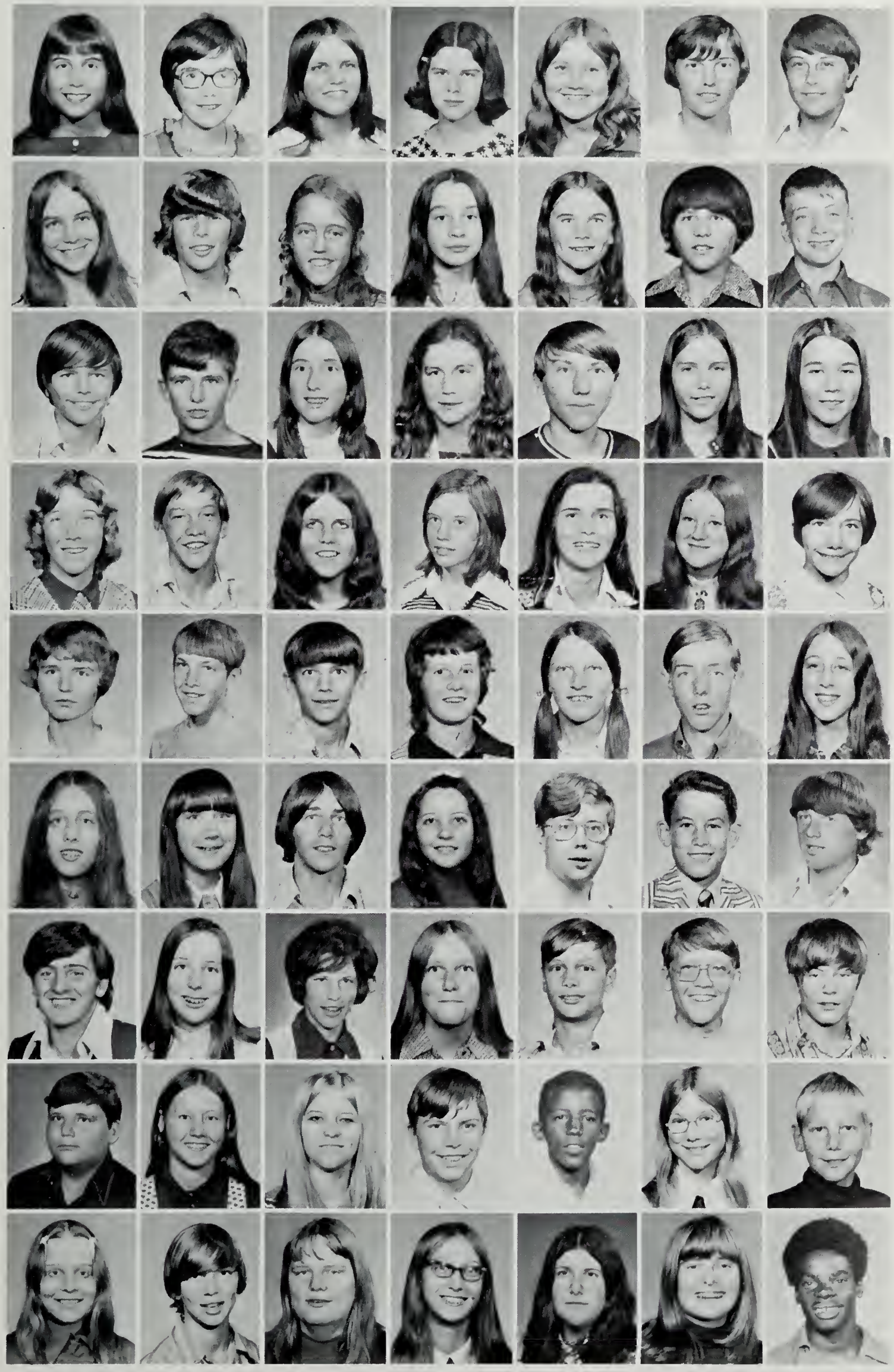


Shirley Reynolds
Ted Reynolds
Macesy Rhoten
Andy Rice
Pat Richards
Loretta Riffey
Betty Jo Roark

Connie Roark
Beth Roberts
Robin Roberts
Connie Roe
Ralph Roe
Ricky Rosembaum
Dorothy Ross

Woody Routh
Billy Rowe
Jessie Rutledge
Karen Saltz
Joseph Sayler
Ricky Sailor
Donna Salyer





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Karen Scott
Linda Scott
Linda Scyphers
Susan Shepard
Patty Shortt
Dennis Singleton

Harlene Singleton
Philip Sironko
Darlene Smeltzer
Debbie Smith
Jenny Smith
Matt Smith
Phil Smith

David Snead
Patrick Snead
Robin Snead
Linda Spriggs
Tommy Stallard
Pam Starkey
Kim Statzer

Amy Stringer
Ricky Stevens
Darlene Sullins
Tammy Sutherland
Janet Sweet
Dorothy Taylor
Evelyn Taylor

Jenny Lou Taylor
Tim Tedder
Bradley Thayer
Cathy Thayer
Teresa Thayer
Larry Thomas
Tammy Thomas

Cindy Thompson
Jane Thornton
David VanHoose
Kathy Wampler
Randy Watson
Douglas Werth
Clyde White

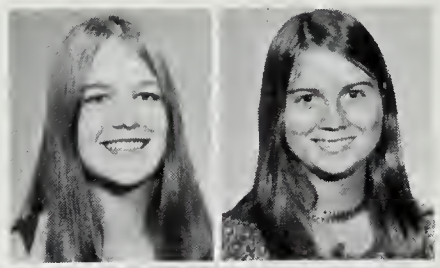
Ralph White
Ruth White
Jennifer Widener
Shelby Widener
Michael Williams
Jeff Willis
Bob Wilson

Larry Wilson
Debbie Wise
Judy Wise
Clyde Witt
John Woods
Judy Woody
Eddie Wright

Roxanne Wright
Sonny Wright
Thelma Wright
Virginia Wyatt
Tammy Yarber
Traci Yates
Bryant Young

Freshmen Gain Respect and Wisdom With Maturity

Melissa Abell
Debra Abel



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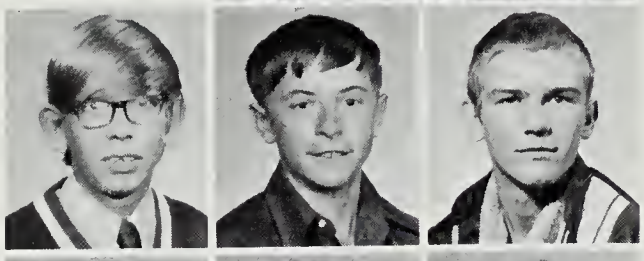
Jerry Anderson



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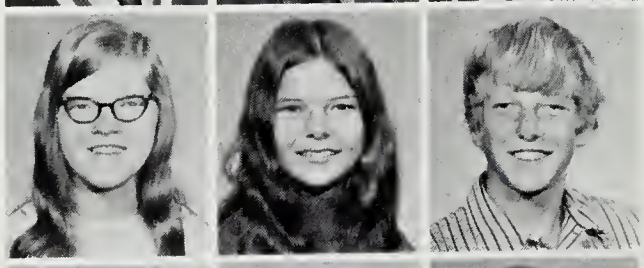
Lisa Andis
Tim Arrington



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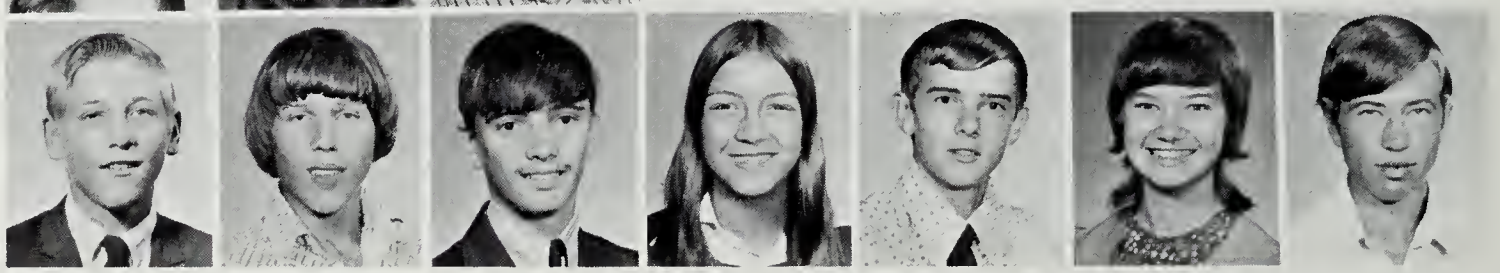

Medical self-help, English 9, and math were some classes experienced by the freshmen of Abingdon High School. In first-aid we learned to handle any emergency situation, or at least tried to. Some students took Math 9, while others struggled through a year of geometry. A special few were allowed to join the Senior Band; others were in the Intermediate Band. Many of us have begun to find new romances and have taken a noticeable interest in dances and other school activities. Because of our high school status, a greater majority of our class members have taken part in sports and clubs. We have all realized we must work together to climax our long climb to the top as the Class of '76.

Freshman Class Officers: V. Pres., Pam Rush, Pres., Sandy Snead, Treas., Judy Schaffer, Sec., Leisa Wright

John Jenkins, Lisa Price, and Dorothy Inman perform in band class.

Peggy Blankenship

Mike Billiter

Sandra Bower
Rebekah Bowman
Robert Briscoe
Danny Brittenham
Jerry Brownlow
Patty Brtan
Mickey Buchanan

Dayton Burke
Debbie Burke
Richard Burke
Charles Bussey
Mark Butters
Ann Campbell
David Campbell

Pam Callahan
Sam Campbell
Janet Campbell
Nancy Campbell
Randy Camper
Mike Canipe
Darrius Carbary

Ricky Carmack
Donna Casteel
Billy Childress
Wayne Childress
James Church
Melvin Clark
Alan Cornett

Mary Cox
Johnny Crigger
Roy Crusenberry
Janie Cuddy
Mike Cumbow
Shelia Cunningham
Cheryl Cuskey

Kathy Davenport
Raymond Dancy
Mike Denton
Benny Dunstan
Patty Duty
Kathy Dye
Tony Easterly

Donald Elam
Herbie Ellis
Michael Elswick
Don Emmert
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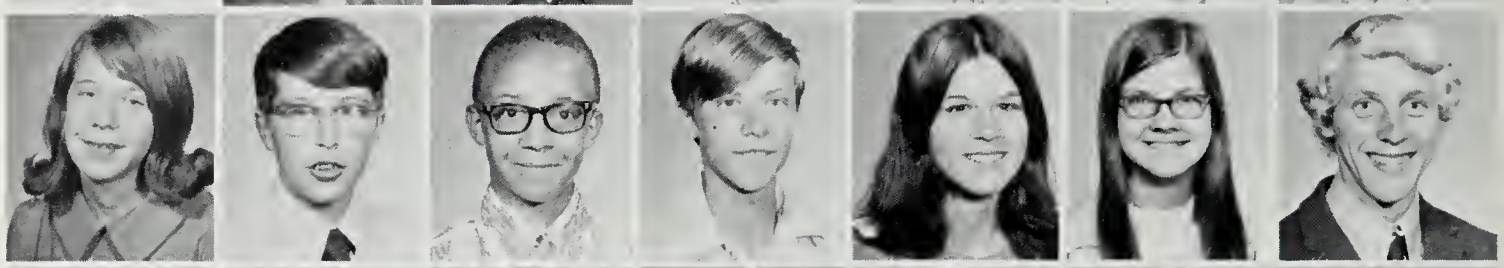
Zan Fugate
William Galliher
Kari Gardner
Julie Gold
Jack Grant



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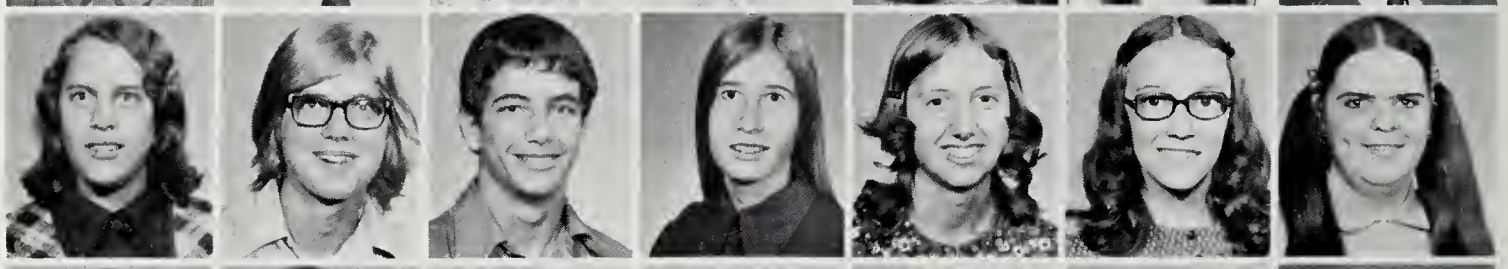
Bobby Graybeal
George Gregory
Linda Groce
Becky Hagy
Jennifer Hagy
Karen Hall



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Carl Hankla
Larry Harless
Suzanne Harris
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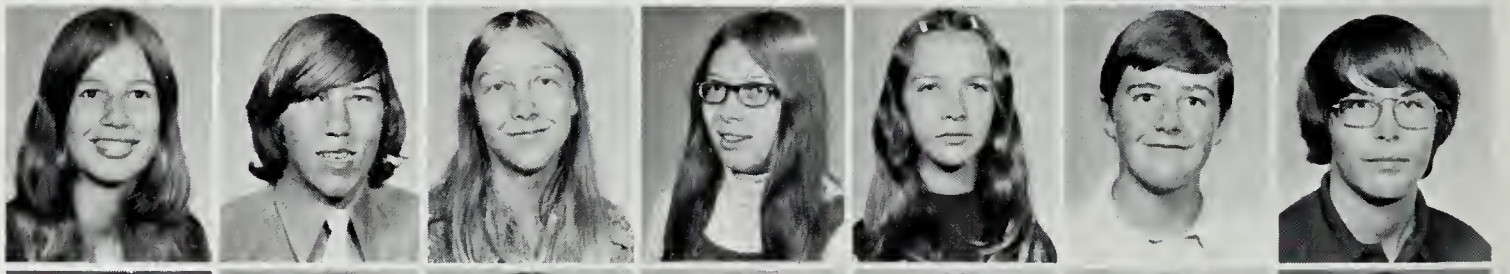

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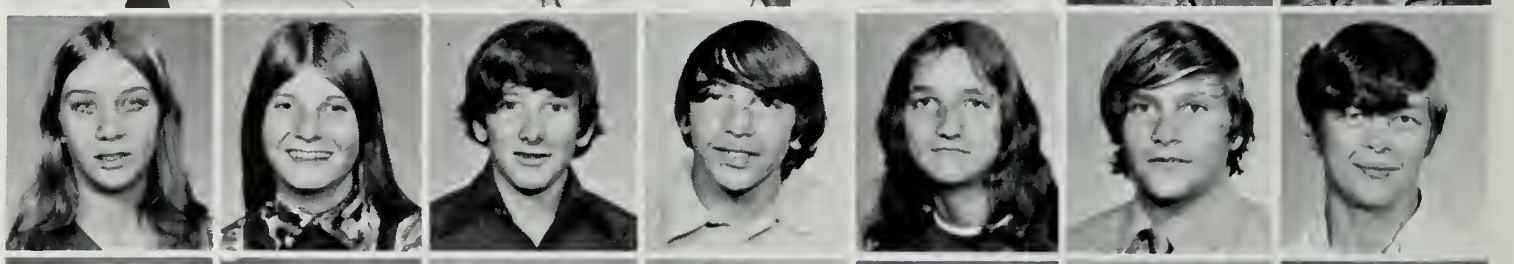
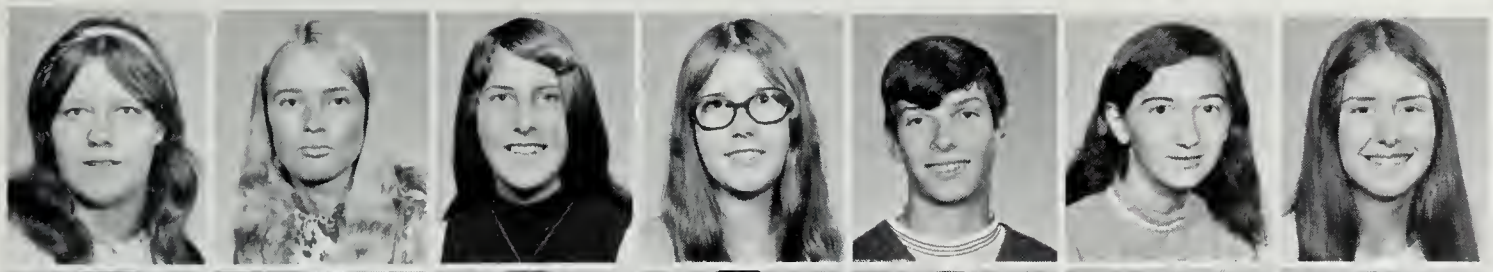
Diane Hutton
Dorothy Inman
Ellen James
Gus Janson
John Jenkins
Dewey Johnson

Susan Johnson
Pam Kaylor
Lewis Keller
Jim Kelly
Larry Ketchum
Jimmy Keyser
Annell Kilbourne

Treicia Kilgore
Peggy Kimberlin
Bill Leppert
John Lester
Ruth Lewis
Pat Litton
Kenny Long



Karl Lorenz
Kurt Lorenz
Julie Loving
Cathy McCall
Billy Martin
Connie Martin
Darrell Martin



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Susie Moore
Lynne Morefield
Debbie Morris
Howard Morris
Debra Morrison
Teresa Musick

Alice Nash
Jackie Nunley
Judy Nunley
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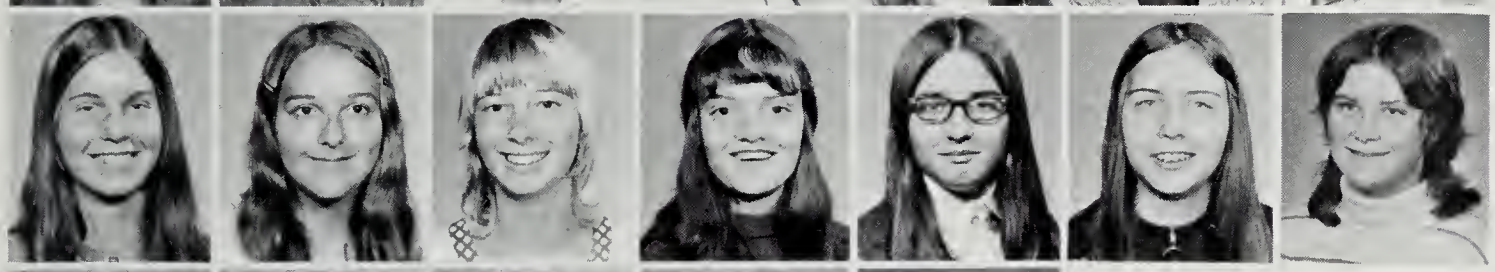

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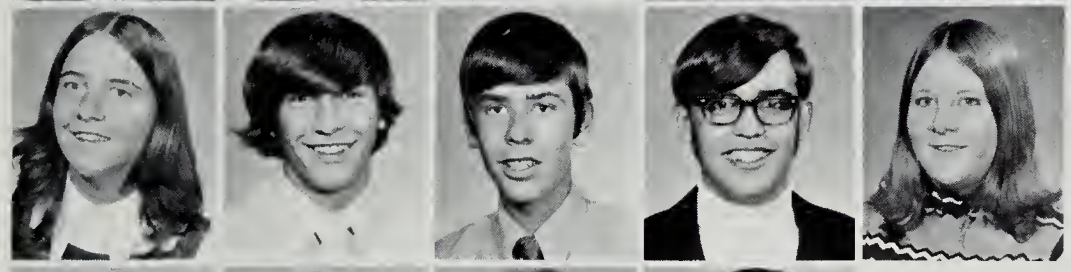

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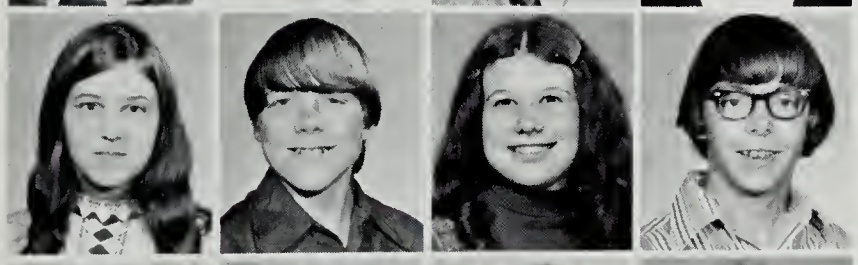

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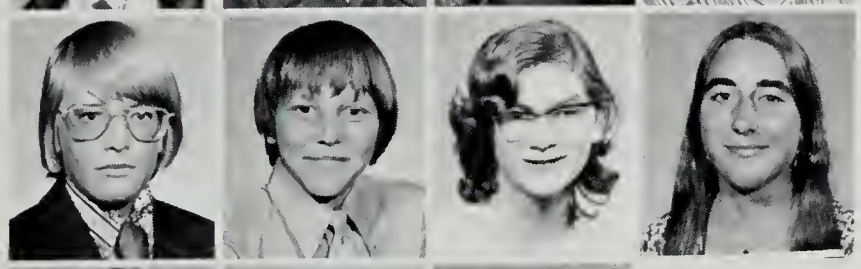

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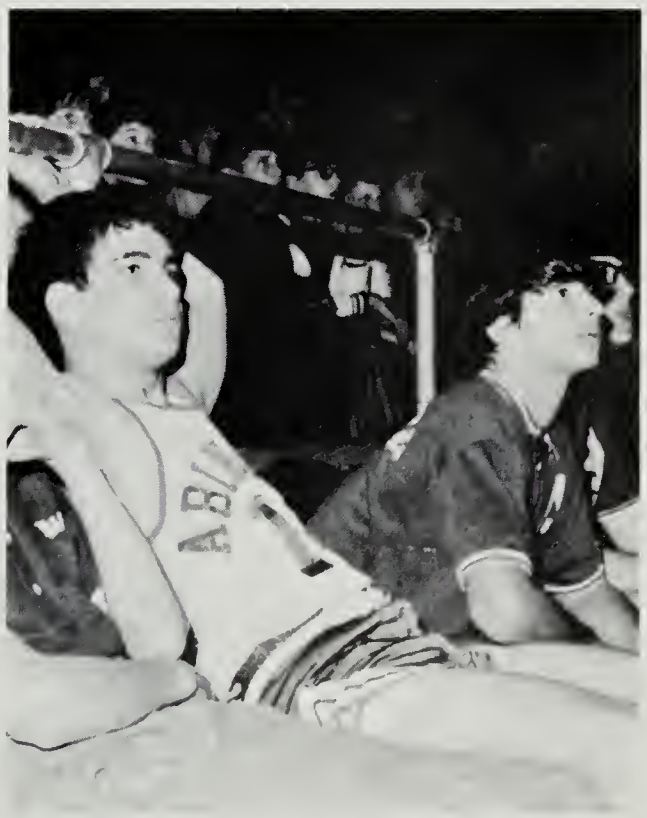

Members of the JV basketball team watch the game tensely.

Not Pictured

Eighth Grade

Don Bailey
Ronald Bailey
James Byrd
Curtis Cox
Dean Davis
Hope Dene
Kathy Doss
Michael Elam
Lonzie Fields
William Fleenor
Darrell Gobble
Charles Harris
Donnie Henegar
Mark Hobbs
Jonathon Lough
Jack Malone
Russell Mann
Bonnie Nunley
Gary Parris
Neal Webb
Debra Wolfe
George Woodard

Freshmen

Howard Balthazarr
Susan Boggs
Charlotte Bott
Jerry Bott
Clarence Burke
Larry Davis
Debbie Finch
David Fulton
Teresa Garland
Darrell Goodson
Helen Gotham
Graham Gregory
Horace Griffin
Connie Griffith
Tommy Harmon
Darrell Henry
Valerie Horne
Edward Johnson
Paul Jones
Ed Jordan
Elvis Kennedy
Kenneth Martin
Williams Martin
James Moore
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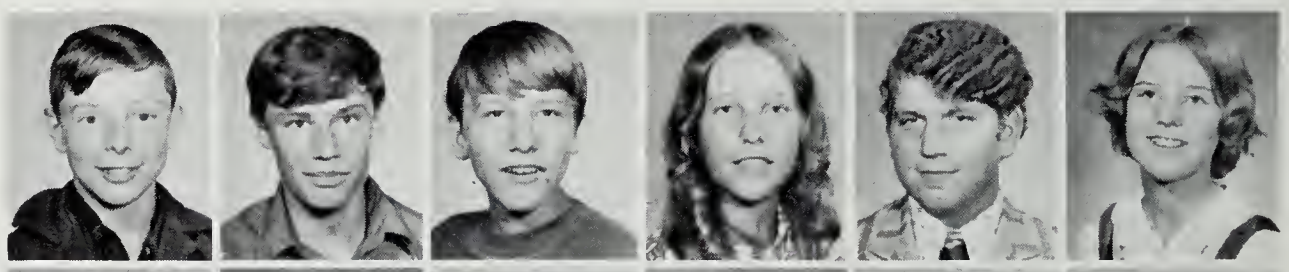
Michael Reynolds
Chester White
Hugh Wise

Buster Singleton
Philip Smith
Doug Snead
Sandy Snead
Curtis Spriggs
Kim Stigers



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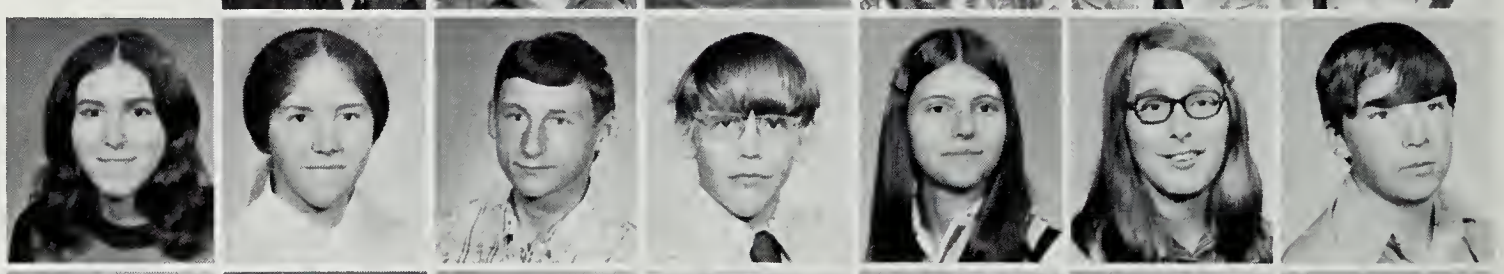
Janice Sullins
Mike Sullins
Bill Sweet
Tammy Wykes
Doris Tate
Mike Tate



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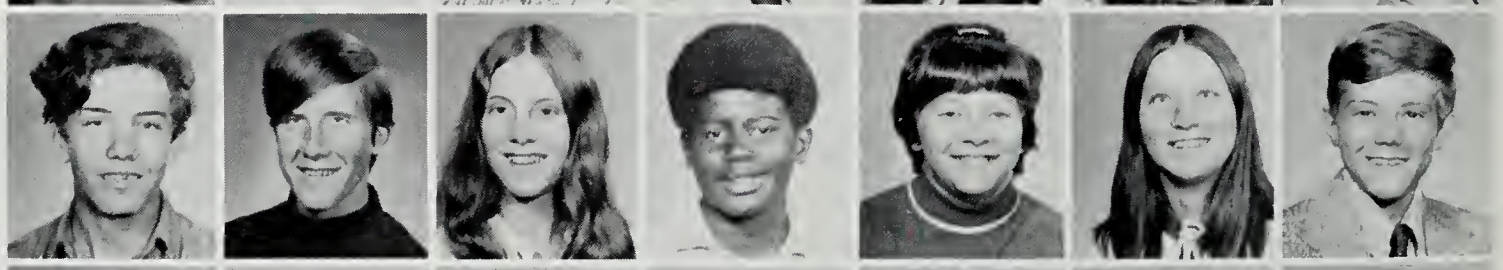
Ruth Testament
Bryan Thomas
Darlene Thomas
Joyce Thomas
Don Thompson



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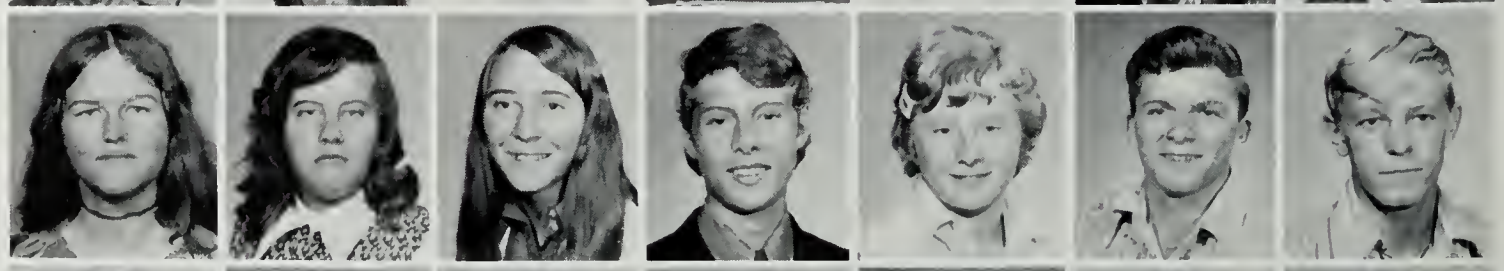
Arlene Turner
Terri Wade
Bobby Warren
Darrell Warren
Susan Warren
Vicky Warren

Kathy Whitley
Jackie Whittaker
Betty Widener
Parks Widener
Susan Widener
Ricky Wise
Richard Wise



Kris Woods
Brenda Wright
Margaret Vanover
Patricia Vanover
Johnny Wright
Leisa Wright
Jack Yates

Sophomore Class Officers: Angi Bevins, Treas., Patti Elliott, Sec., Sally Hill, Pres., Bobby Derting, V. Pres. Not Pictured: Phil Shaffer, Sgt.-at-Arms.

Sophomores Begin Driver's Training

"For Sale--One Wrecked Family Car." For the Class of '75, this year was a busy and eventful one. Many of us earned the privilege and responsibility of a driver's license, while others had to be satisfied with driver's training. One new experience is that of biology. Dissecting proves to be very interesting and very unusual. We have worked hard together as a class and have advanced to the current sophomore class. One class project was decorating our section of the halls for Spirit Week during football season. We are all extremely pleased with our successes at A.H.S. and have discovered there is a real art to accepting the challenge of high school life.

Pat Able
Gary Akers
Anthony Anderson
Garnett Anderson
Harriet Anderson
Irma Anderson
Ricky Anderson

John Arrington
Frank Atwell
Bob Baldwin
Joyce Ball
Darrell Barker
James Barker
Becky Barnett

Mike Barrett
Sandra Barrett
Angie Bevins
Brenda Belcher
Jerry Blacksell
Norman Blankenship
Billy Bott

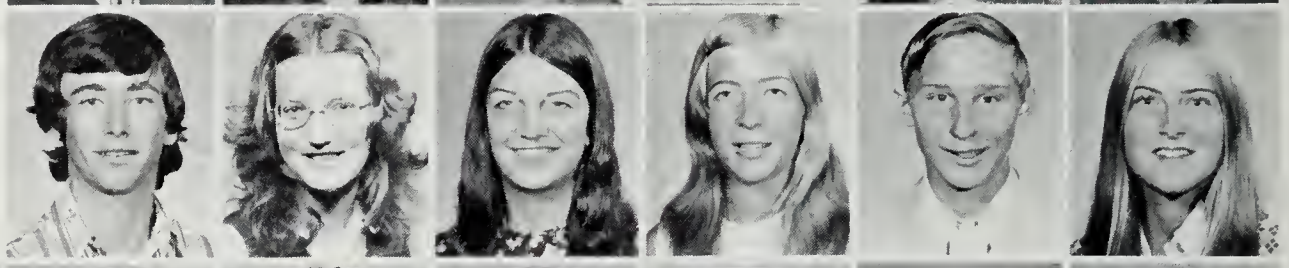
Loretta Botts
Sharon Brown
Jim Broyles
Billy Buchanan
Danny Buchanan
Laura Bundy
Allen Call

Ruth Canter
Delores Carbary
Don Carmack
Kathy Carr
Lonnie Casey
Billy Caudell
Roger Childress

Sophomores

Ken Chittum
Teresa Church
Charlene Clark
John Clark
Susan Clark
Ronnie Coleman

Dewey Compton
Peggy Cox
Terry Corvin
Nancy Crigger
Earl Cunningham
Teresa Cunningham



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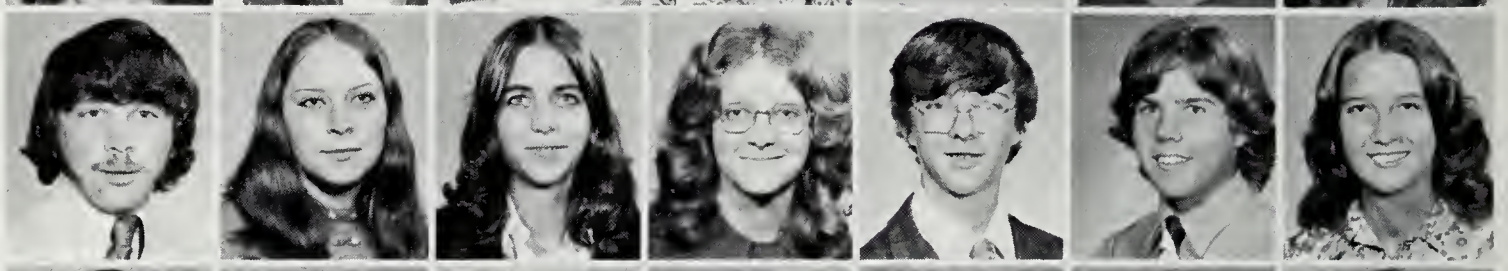
Judy Dale
Diane Delapp
Bobby Derting
Richard Dicks
Virginia Duff
Rana Duncan

Harry Dunn
Helen Dunn
Debbie Durrett
Freda Dye
Freddie Dye
Greg Ellis
Patti Elliott



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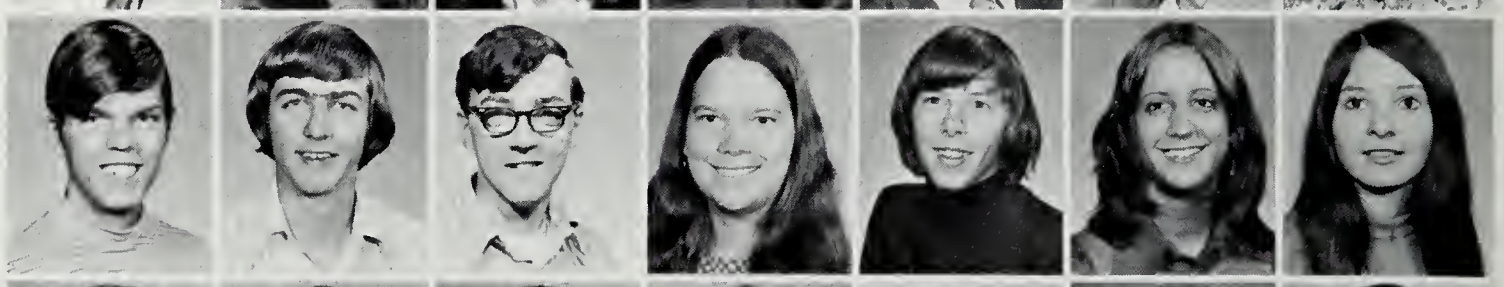
Bill Endean
Winford Estep
Cindy Farmer
Darryl Farmer
Tamara Farnsworth
Ellen Ferguson



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Deanna Fields
Elizabeth Fields
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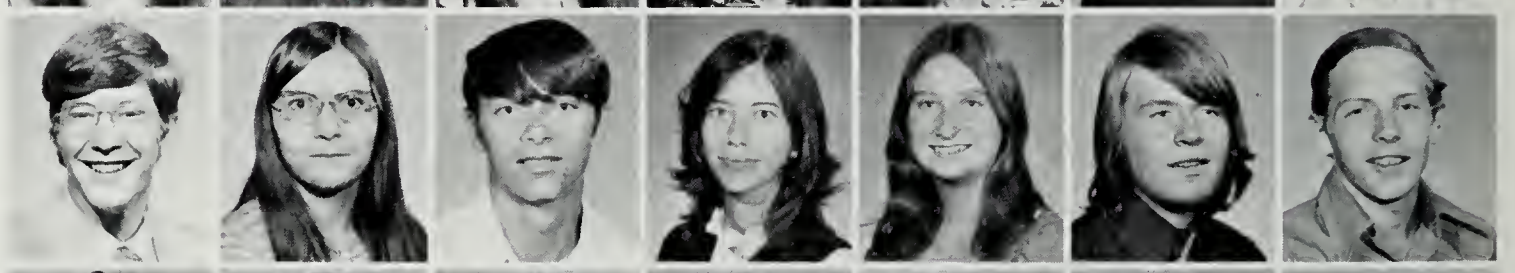
Jackie French
Rena Fulton
Alan Galliher

Vaughn Gardner
Betty Garrett
Bill Garrett
Cassandra Garrett
Keta Garrett
Dan Gentry
Daniel Gill



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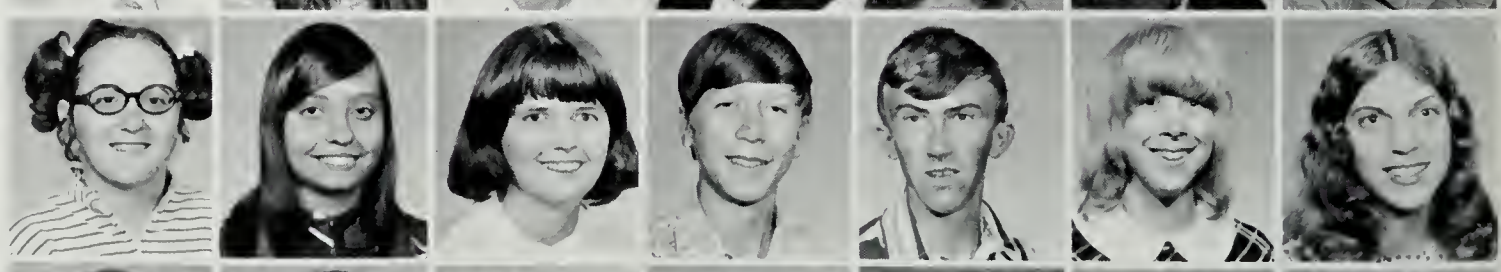
Michael Goodman
Alvin Goodson
Judy Grantham
Levonda Gregory



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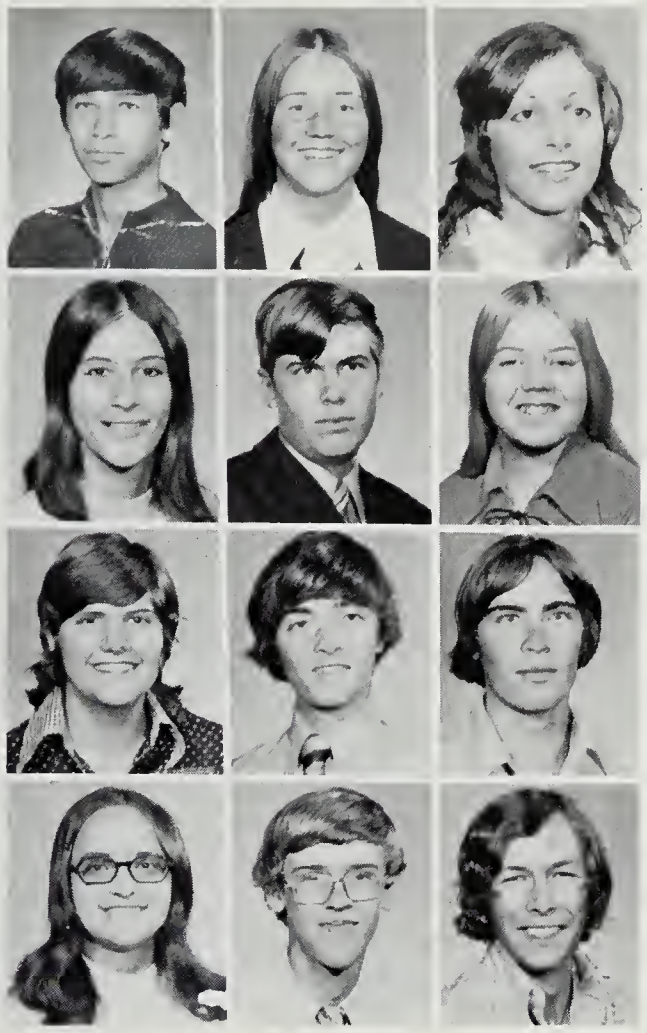
Donna Hannah
Lanny Harner
Melanie Harris
Trina Harrison
Debbie Hay
Jeffrey Hearl

Allen Call dribbles down court during a JV game.



Richard Hearl
Lennace Hearld
Cindy Heisler

Paula Helton
Mark Henry
Connie Henderson

Sally Hill
David Hoffman
Ken Hoffman

Regina Horne
Ed Howard
Tony Hudson

Beth Hughes
Lisa Hughes
Anita Humphrey
Raymond Hurd
Stephen James
Bruce Johnson
Danny Johnson

Joey Johnson
Roger Johnson
Marsha Jones
Rosie Jones
Eddie Jordan
Lonnie Kennedy
Judy Kestner

Gary Kestner
Dave Kitch
Sammy Knight III
Michael Large
Danny Leonard
Harold Lewis
Sandra Lilly

Ruth Love
Cathy Lowe
Rebecca Marsh
Tom Mattson
David May
Jeanette McCloud
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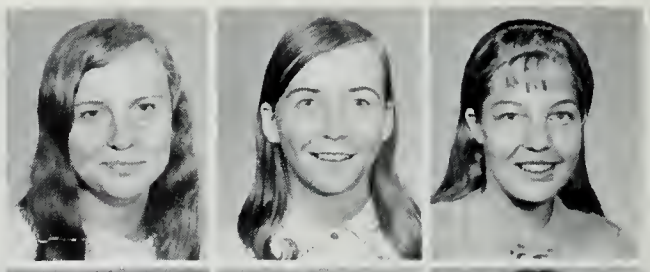

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Tom Powers
Eddie Price
David Price

Angie Rasnake
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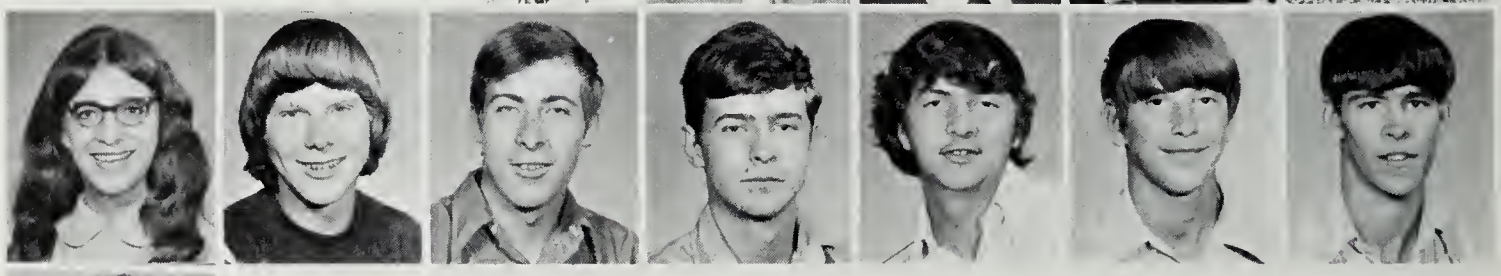

Lisa Roberts

Sophomores listen intently during a class meeting.

Mike Gregory carries the ball for the Falcons.

David Robinette
Rhonda Robinson
Leesa Roe
Leonard Rosenbaum
Linda Ross
John Routh
Kathy Russell

Rita Russell
Laura Ryland
Phil Shaffer
John Sheffey
Ed Sheffield
Teresa Singleton
Michele Smeltzer

Janet Smith
Billy Snodgrass
Lynn Snyder
Bobby Spriggs
Debbie Starkey
Jimmy Starkey
Linda Stevens

Pam Stevens
Mike Stigers
Wanda Sullins
Mary Sweet
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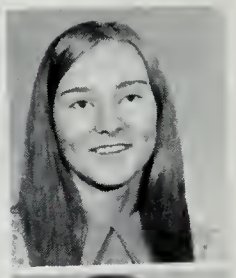

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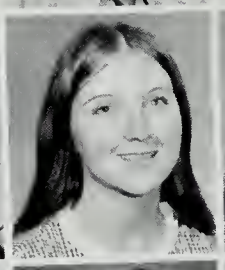

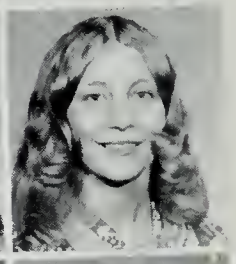

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Brenda Widener
Danny Wilson
Bobby Wise

Guy Wise
Judy Wise
Hank Wright
Teresa Wright
Kim Yates

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Ake Atkins
Judy Ball
Jessee Barker
Jerry Barrett
Robert Byars
Dora Caudell
Ernest Dunn
Deborah Fields
James Fulton
Winnie Garland
Deborah Hoffman
Cleve Ingle
Donald Johnson
Michael Large
Lynn McConnell
Robert Neal
David Wise
James Norris
Mary Norris
Evelyn Parker
Jerry Pippin
Alvin Price
Janie Rosenbaum
Ronald Stewart
Billy Taylor
Jamerson Thayer
Gary Thomas
Lloyd Thomas
David Thompson
Harry Tignor
Rocky Tweed
Greg Welder
Kenneth Whitehead
Curtis Widener
Ellen Wilson

and reflected our past years with enjoyment.

Class Works to Prepare for Prom

Proud to be the Junior Class of 1973, we accepted our new upper class rank with ambition. This year was a very busy one for all of us. We were "kept on our toes" selling magazine subscriptions, candy, and having bake sales. The class worked diligently in order to sponsor an entertaining Junior-Senior Prom. Still, we "showed up" for our daily classes which included U.S. history, American literature, and for many of us, chemistry and Algebra II. And this year for the first time since attending Abingdon High, there was no "dressing out" for gym classes. Ordering class rings and decorating the hall for spirit week provided additional enjoyment. We, the Class of 1974, worked, planned, and progressed toward greater goals and reflected our past years with enjoyment.

The Junior Class officers are: Eddie Bowen, Pres., Jim Wilson, Sgt-at-Arms, Paige Southerlin, V. Pres., Becky Foran, Sec., Wayne Rainey, Treas.

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Bobby Arnold

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Chad Bailey
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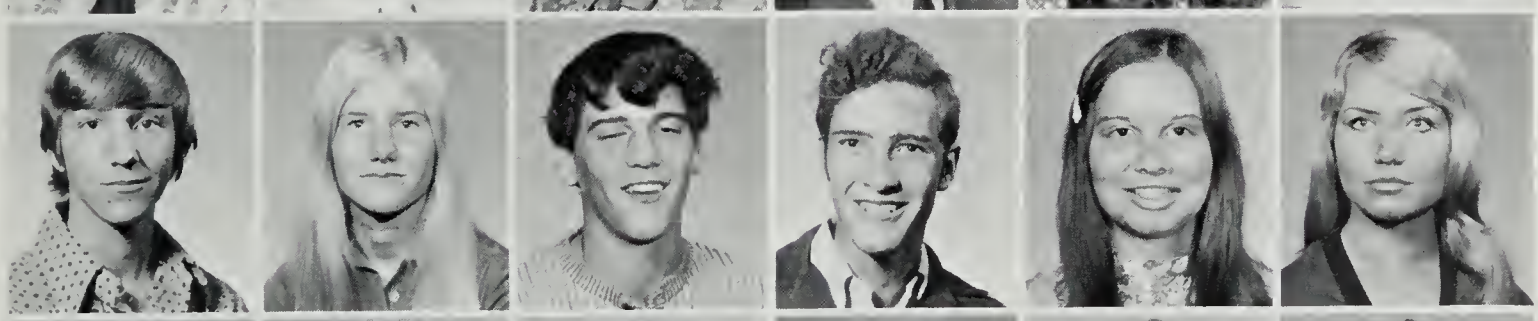

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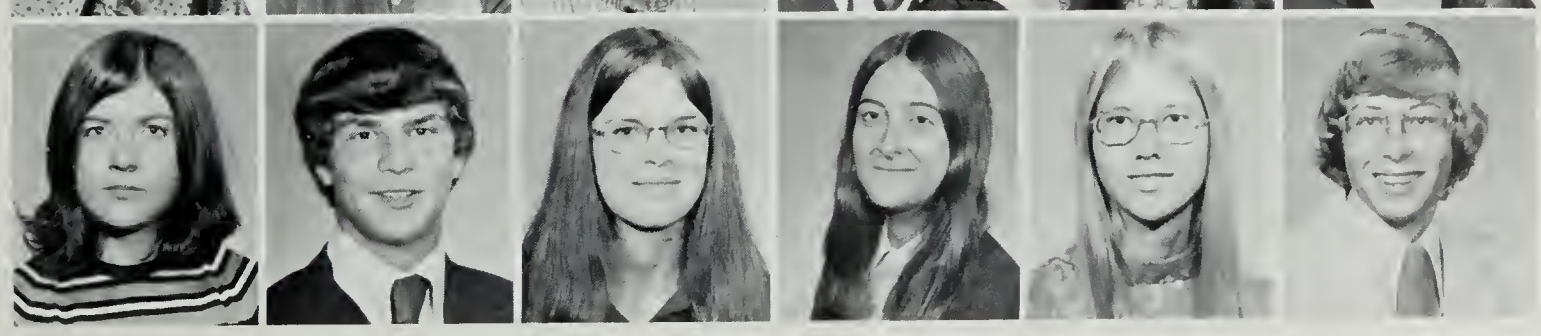
Susan Blevins



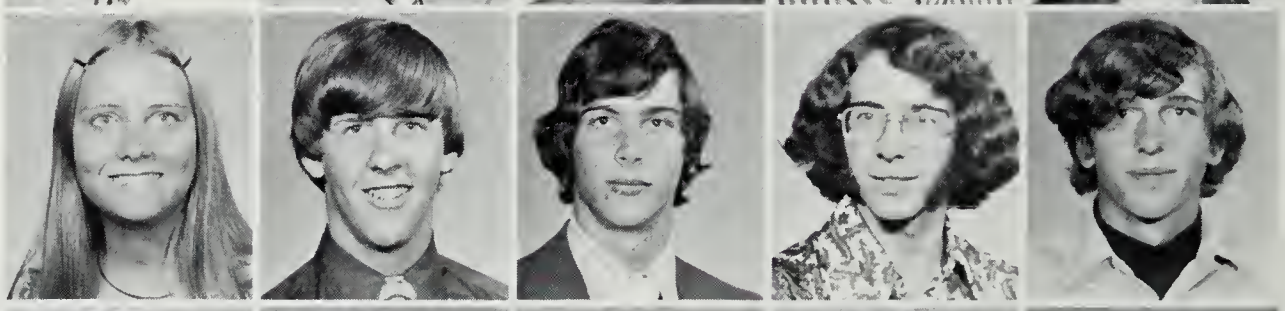
Vickie Bordwine
Eddie Bowen
Elaine Bradley
Connie Brannon
Melanie Buchanan
Chuck Callahan

Juniors

Glenna Blevins, Reva Wilson, Melanie Buchanan, Debbie Chafin, and Brenda Widener listen carefully to instructions concerning the sale of magazines.

Paul Campbell
Duffy Carmack
Stan Carter
Ty Cartwright
Linda Casey

Debra Chafin
Ray Chitwood
Randy Cole
John Cornelius
Kenny Crosswhite



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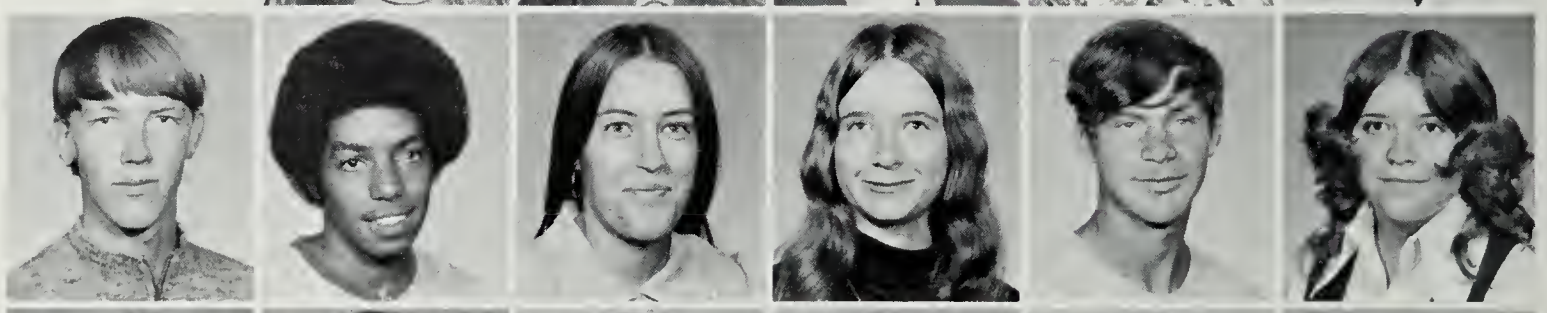

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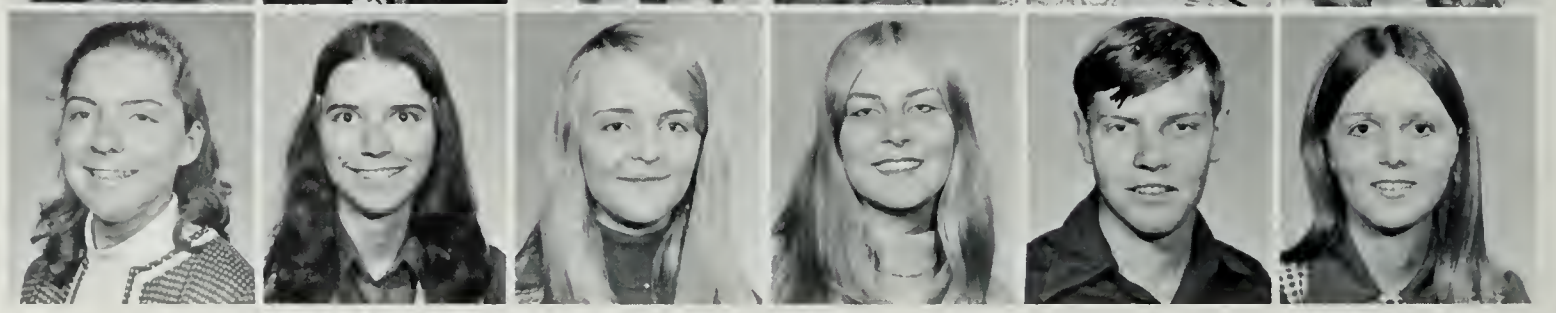
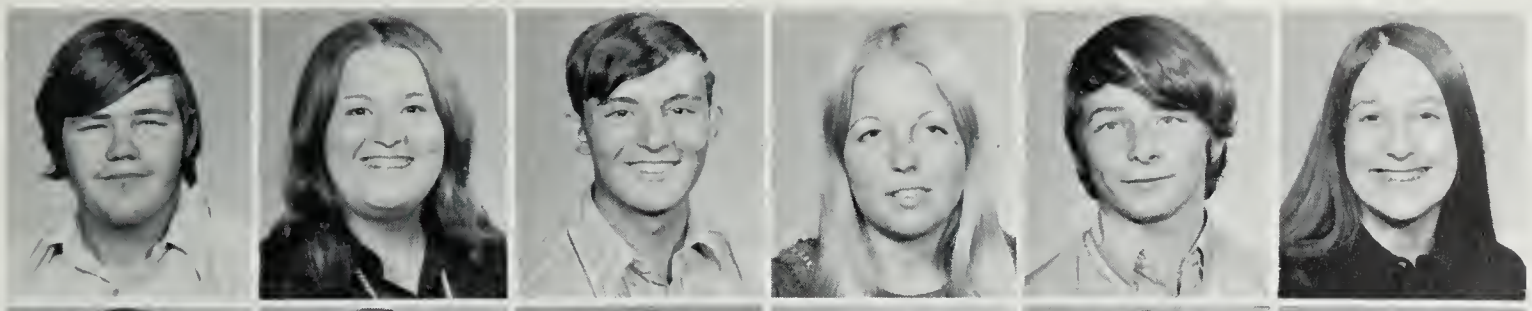
Sabrina Gilliam





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William Gregory
Teresa Grogan
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Wanda Gunnoe

Gary Hagy
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Janis Harris
Lewis Harris

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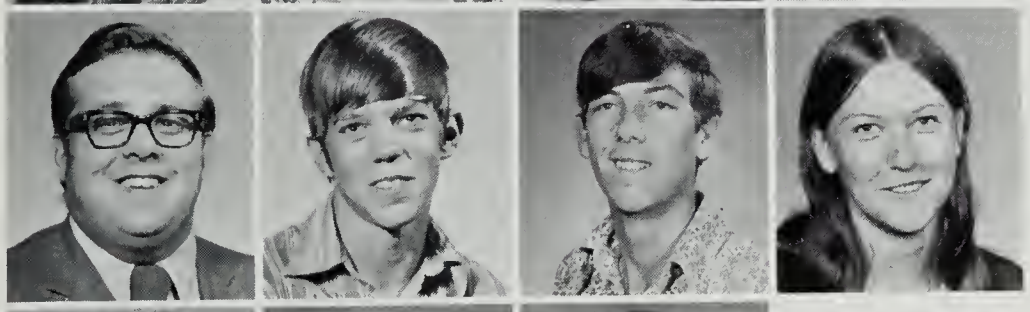

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Sue Ketchem

Lynn Kilbourne
Jimmy Kroll
Mary Lambert

Curtis Lang
Mary Lawson
Susan Lilly

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Ronald Anderson
David Defriece
Gary Fugate
Kenneth Gobble
Roy Griffith
Kathy Mitchell
Michael Mitchell
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Donna Saltz
Ronnie Snead
Virgil Sullins
Gary Urbani
Jerry Whitten
Ricky Widener

Sue Lloyd
Jon Lorenz
Marsha Lowe
Donna Maiden
Wanda Marsh
Rita Martin

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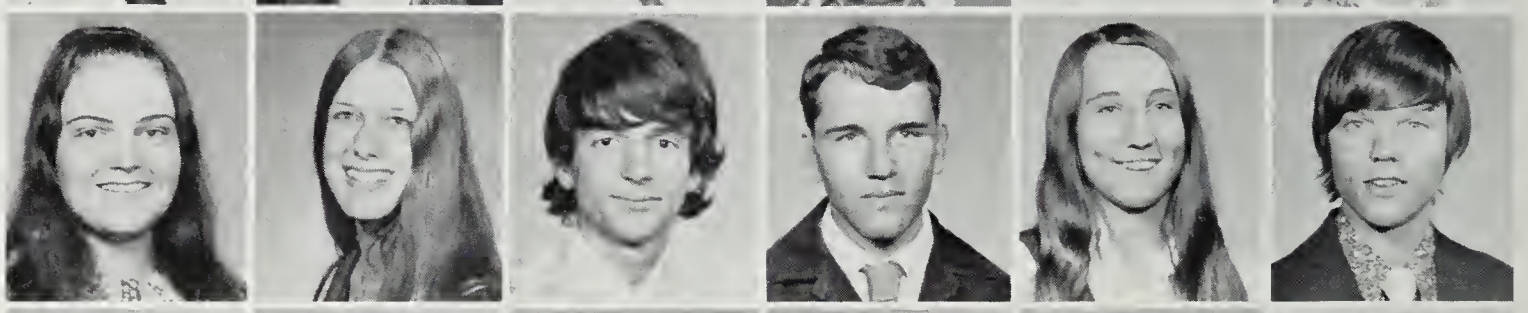

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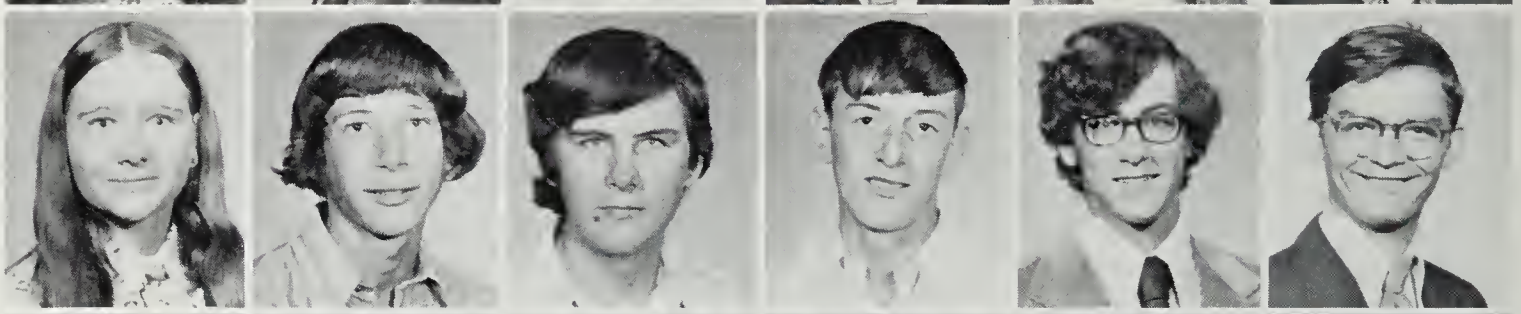

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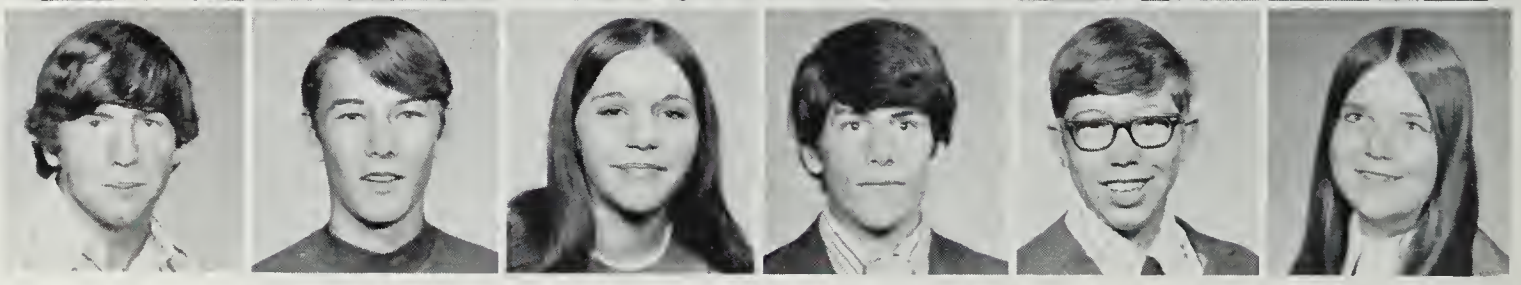
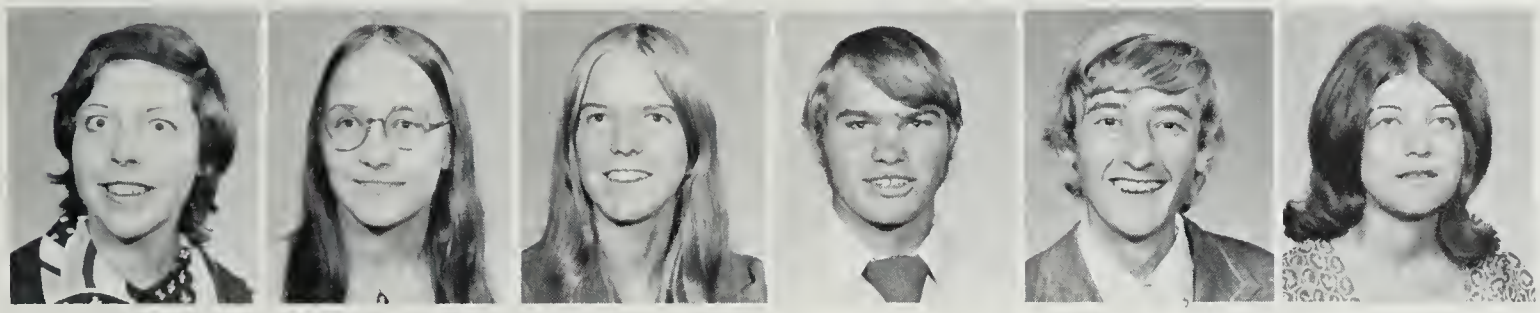


Debbie Peters

Donald Petty

Rick Ornduff works on SCAT and STEP tests.



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Sally Pinkerton
Glen Pippin
Chris Placak
Sue Poole

Faye Pope
Beula Price
Eugene Price

Regina Pugh
Wayne Rainey
Mike Rash

Donna Maiden, her escort, Barry Matheson, and Ray Chitwood watch the crowning of Homecoming queen, Alice Morgan.

Kathy Reed
Darlene Reynolds
Polly Reynolds
Randy Reynolds
Ray Reynolds
Vickie Reynolds

Cindy Rice
Trey Rice
Ginni Richards
Tommy Riddle
Becky Roberts
Mary Roberts

Sandy Roberts
Larry Robinette
Melody Robinson
Nava Robinson
Margie Roe
Anne Russell

Joyce Sailor
Roger Sarkovics
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Robert Schrickel
Brenda Scott
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Randy Cole and Stan Carter watch bands perform at the Bristol Band Festival.

Patty Scyphers
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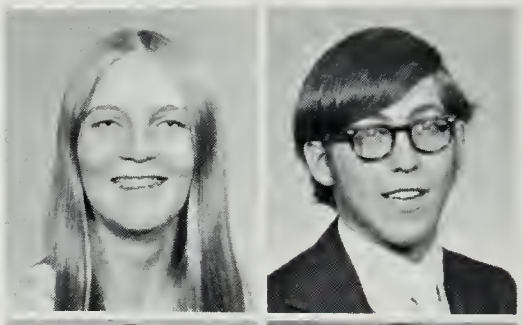

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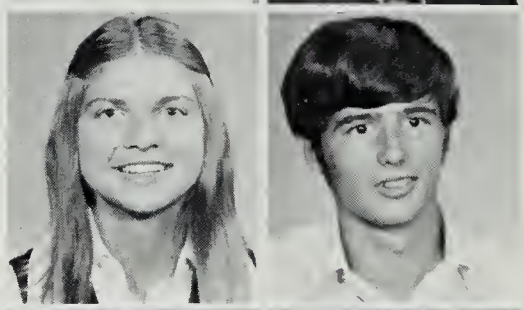

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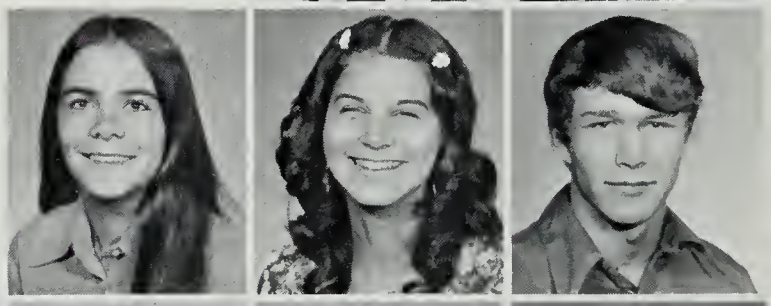

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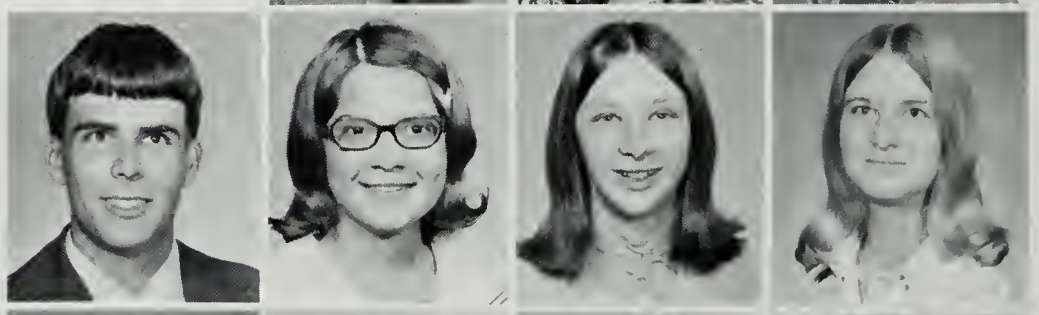

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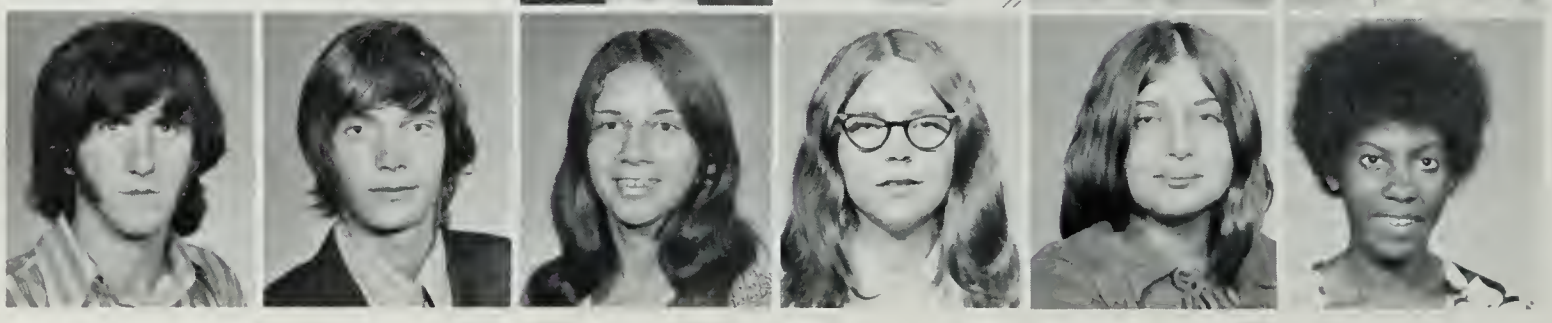

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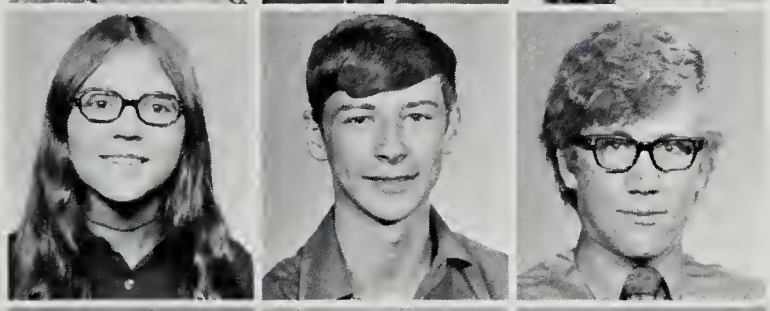

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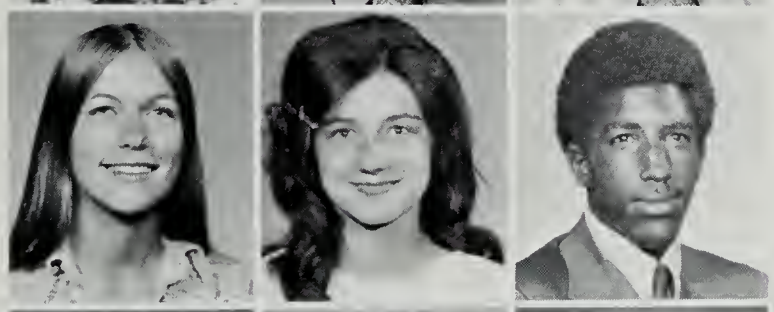
Brian Willard

Connie Wilson
Doc Wilson
Jim Wilson



Reva Wilson
Linda Wolfe
Henry Woods

Susie Woody
Brad Wright
Cathy Wright

Curtis Lang, safety, prepares to tackle an opposing player.

Seniors Build Homecoming Float-Win Spirit Week

Seniors

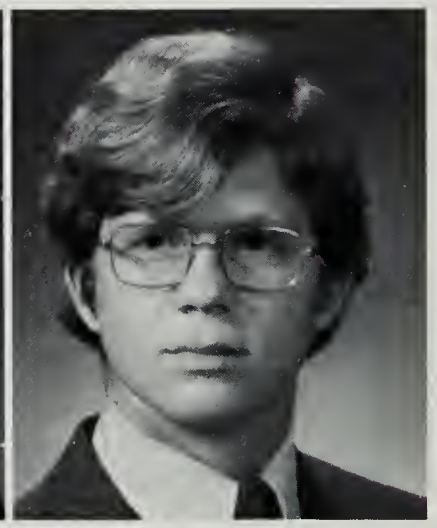
Pride, participation, and accomplishment brought status. We were proud to make our last year at Abingdon High School the best. Updating the plaque honoring A. H. S. graduates who served in Vietnam was one of our projects. We sponsored the mid-February visit of the Bloodmobile. Our display of Falcon spirit and pride won for us the first annual School Spirit Plaque. Along with these and other projects, our classes included government, physics, speech, and college math; others chose electives from different fields. Ordering caps and gowns and announcements helped to prepare us for that rare day in June-Graduation!

Senior Class Officers: Treas., Alice Morgan, V. Pres., Robert Dicks, Pres., Susan Barrow, Sec. Sharon Honaker, Hist., Carol Wilson, Rep., Chris Myers, Chap., Gary Gregory. Not Pictured; Sgt.-at-Arms, Rocky Blevins

Nancy June Altizer

Virgil David Anderson

Thomas Harry Arnold



Hugh Arrington

Barry Allen Bailey

Carol Sue Ball

Donna Mae Barrett

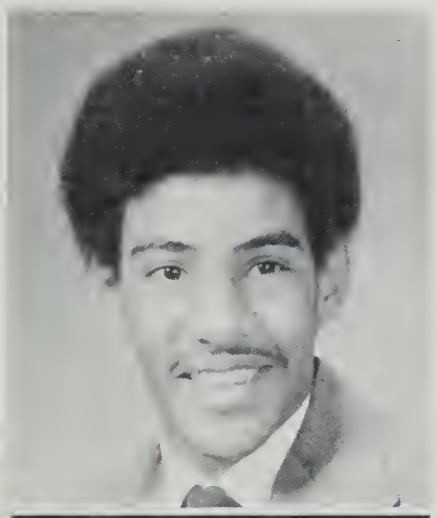
Susan LaRue Barrow

Sheree Pamela Bartee
Rocky Lane Blevins

Curtis Bellamy
Leon Duncan Booth

Lewis Jefferson Blackwell
James Harris Bowden

Wilma Shortt Blackwell
Mardia Tinsley Bradley



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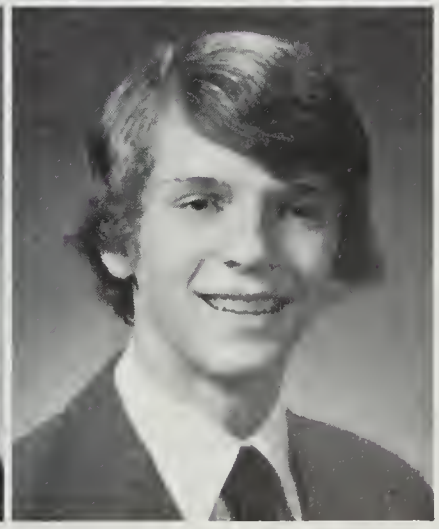
Betty Ann Clark

Connie Sue Campbell
Mary Beth Collins

Joyce Maralia Carty
Catherine Janice Combs



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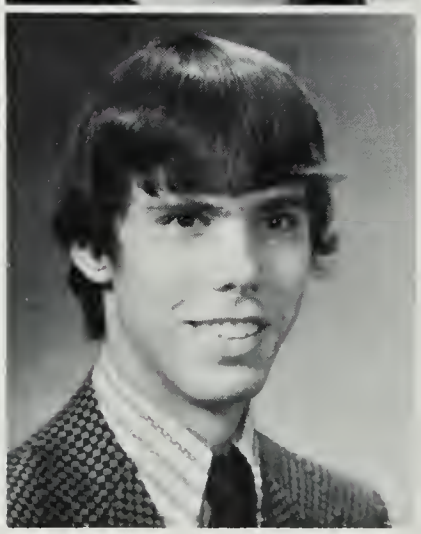
Thomas Alfred Counts III

Virginia Jean Culbertson
Wanda Ellen Cumbow

Robert Dicks and Tommy Counts buy baked goods from Joan James.



Virginia Charlotte DeBusk
Jackie Wayne Easterly

Robert Bruce Dicks
Phyllis Jean Emmert

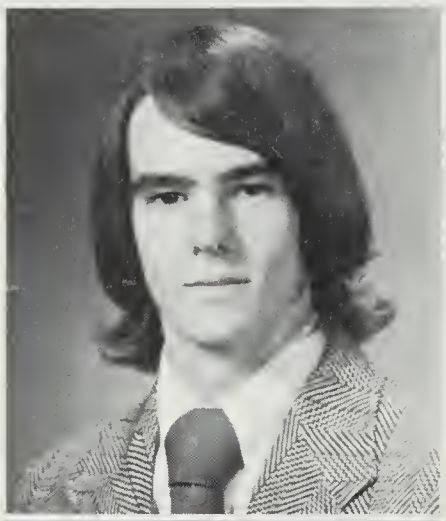
Kathy Louise Dunn
David Ray Eskridge

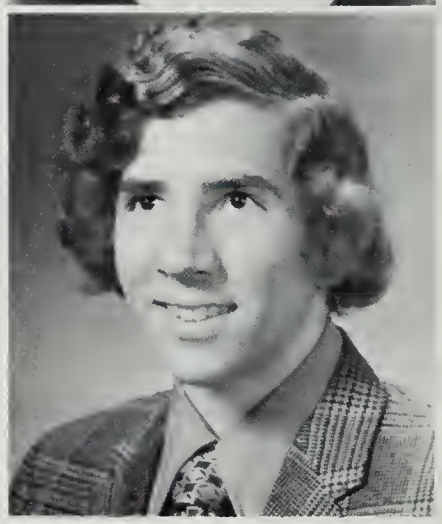
Kenneth Wayne Farmer
David Rayne Foster
Debra Elaine Fulton
Evelyn Anita Galliher

Susie Ella Ferguson
Kathy Ann Fugate
Charles Frank Fulton

Donald Edward Fields
Gary Thomas Fuller
Janice Fulton

Nancy Altizer prepares to vote in the Presidential election of 1972.





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Patricia Ann Goodson

Kathy Ann Glover
Emily Leigh Graham

Janie Margaret Gold
Christopher Dow Grantham

Gary Lee Gregory
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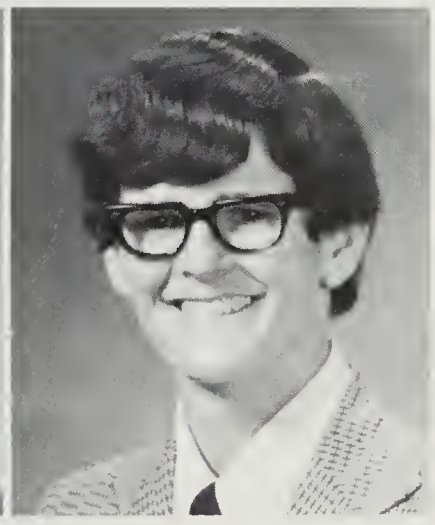
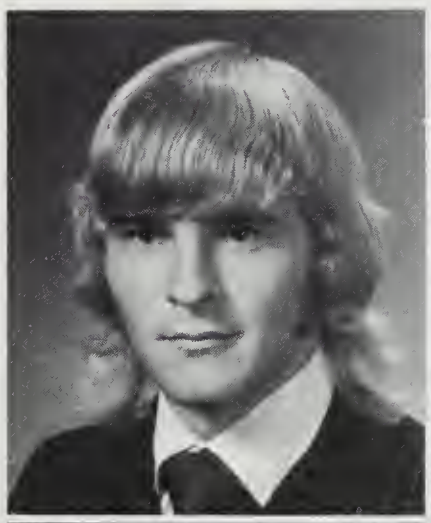
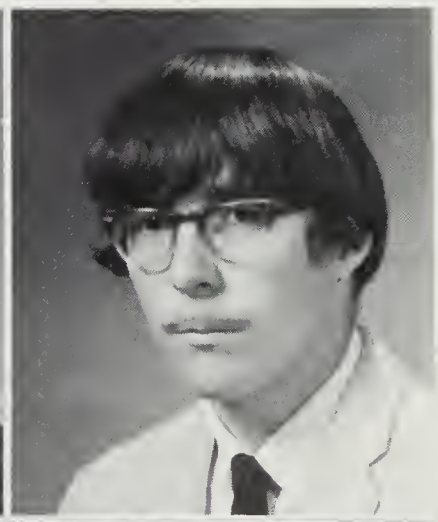


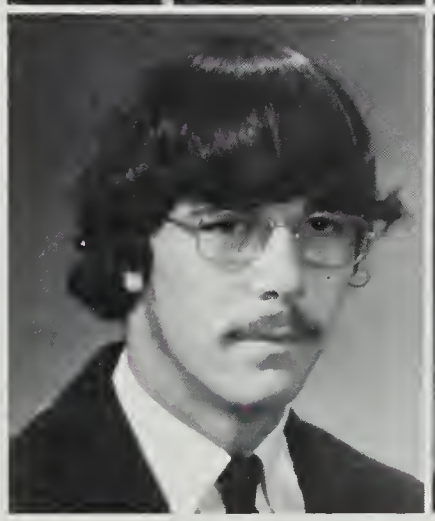
Debra Ann Howard

Joel Stephen Hunt

Donna Barrett thoughtfully decorates the Christmas tree.





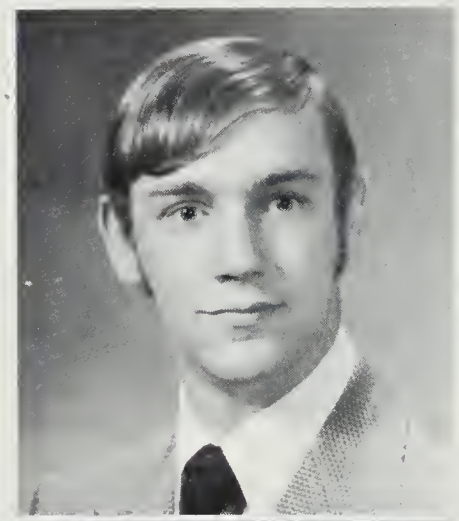


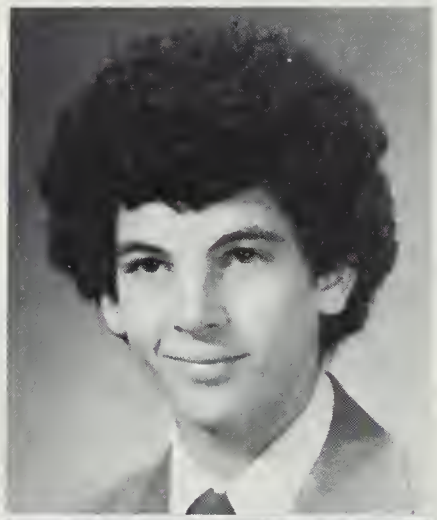
Jeffrey Allan Hutton
Jerry Allan Jackson

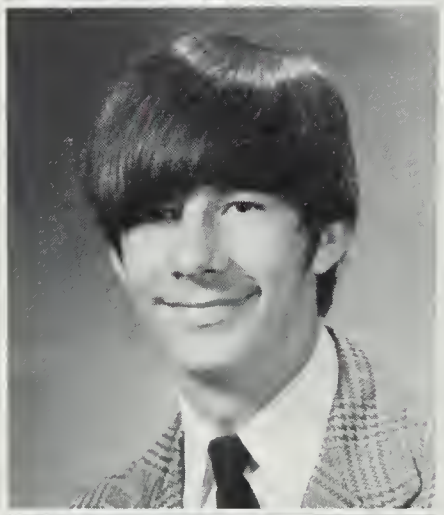
Garry Wayne Jackson
Freddie Lyle James

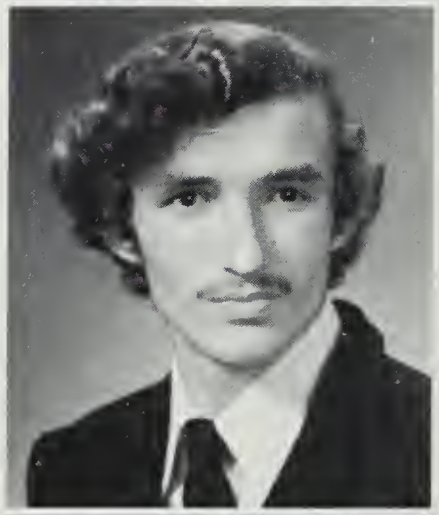
AT RIGHT: Three senior cheerleaders urge the Falcons on to victory.

Robert Dale Janson









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Joel Lee Kite
Jesse Wayne Lewis
Shelia Dru Lowe

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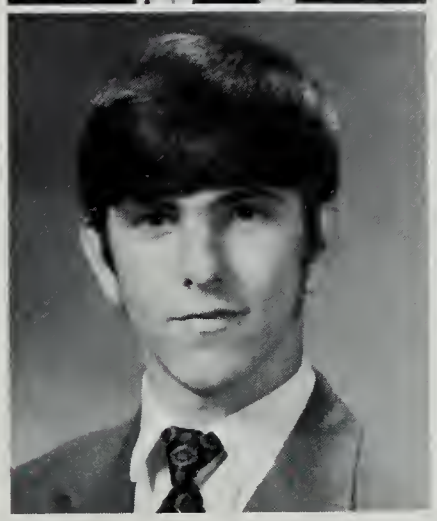
Wilma Jean Linder
Richard Lynn McClure



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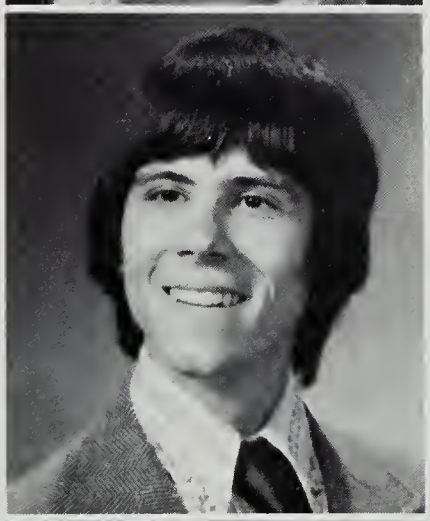
Jerry Wayne Miller



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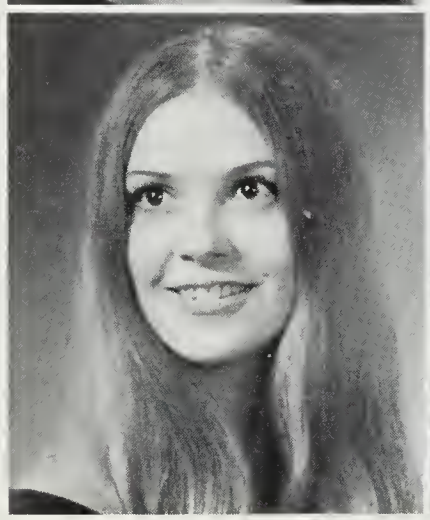
Constance Gwen Mills

Mark Edward Matheson
Gilbert Ray Millsap



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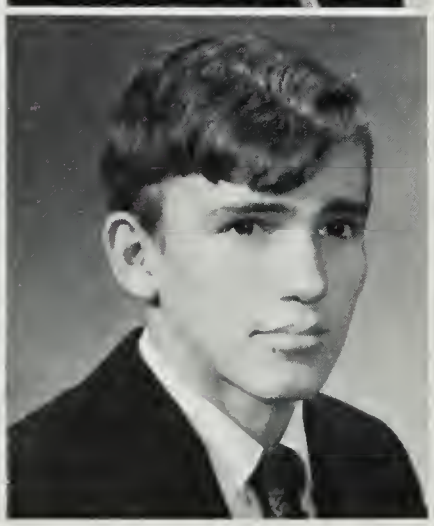
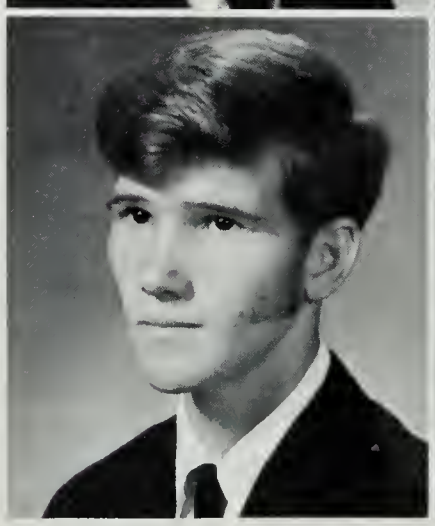

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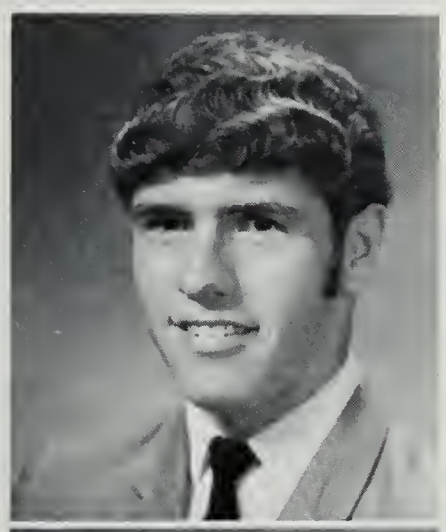

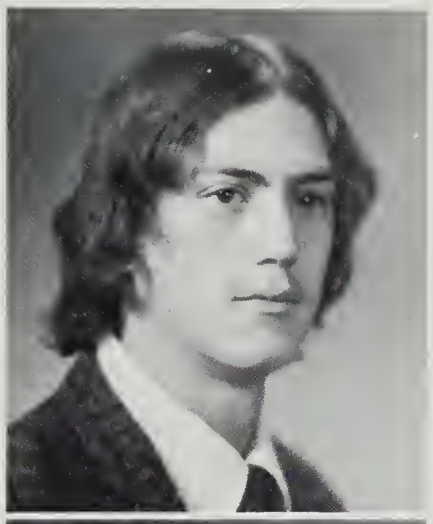

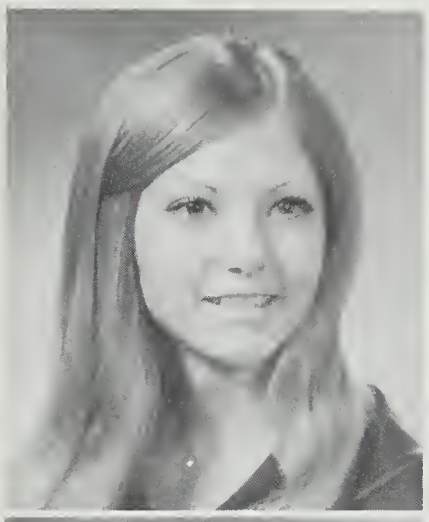

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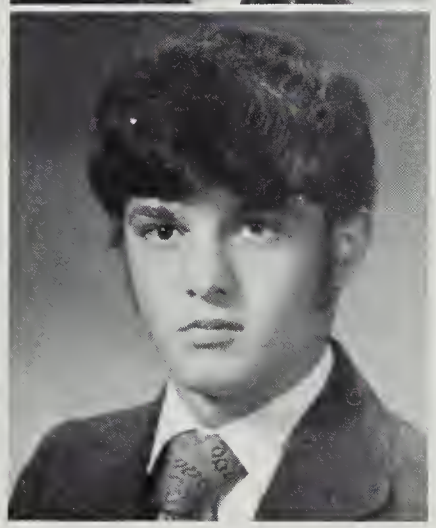

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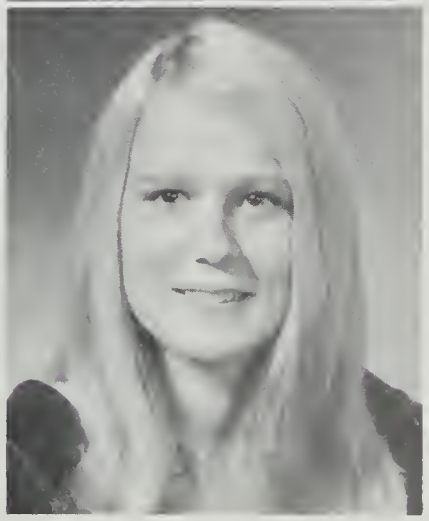
Dean Edward Pope

Patty Michelle Phillips
George Taffico Pope

Susan Chitwood campaigns for Senator Scott at the airport.

Larry Michael Powers
Carolyn Jane Price



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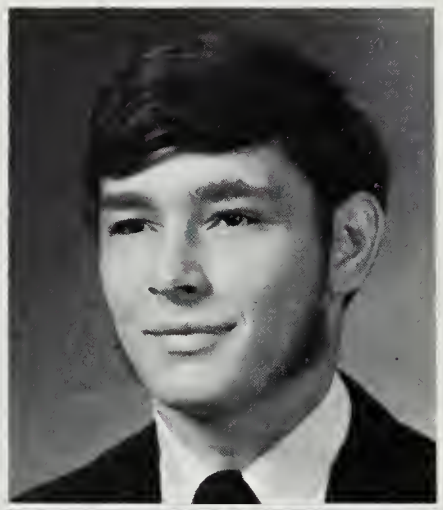
Susan Elaine Price

Sheri Denise Quinton
Sandra Lynn Rasnick

Robert Dicks and Mark Matheson display the "Big A."



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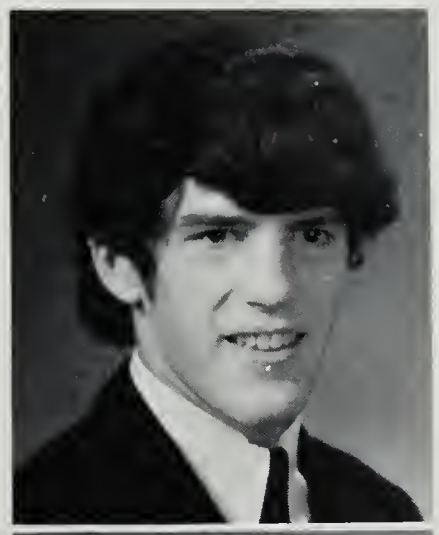

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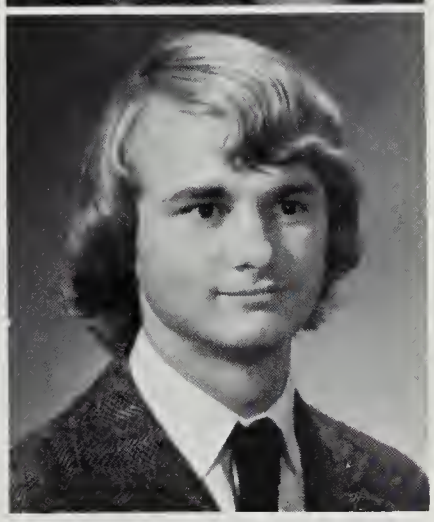

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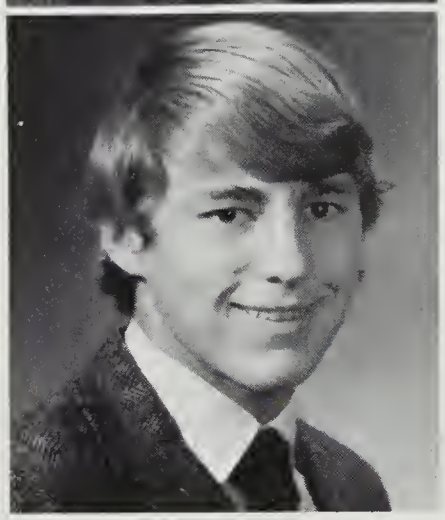

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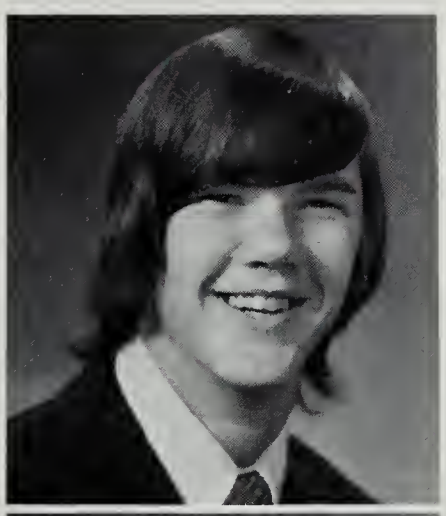
Stanley Allen Robinette



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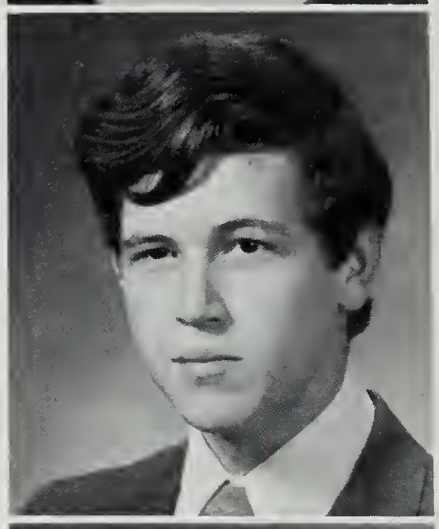
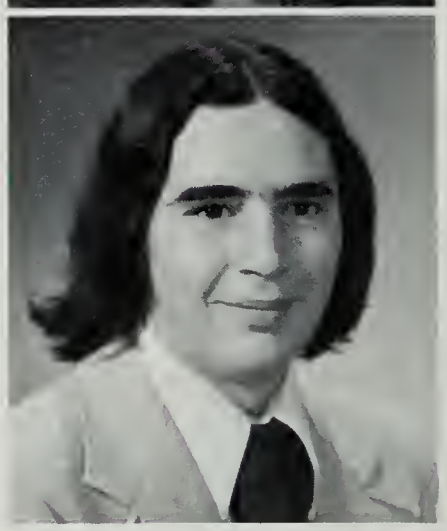


Mark Matheson shoots an important shot during a game with Grundy.



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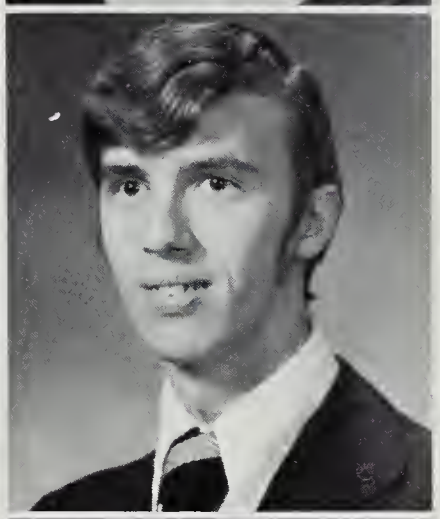

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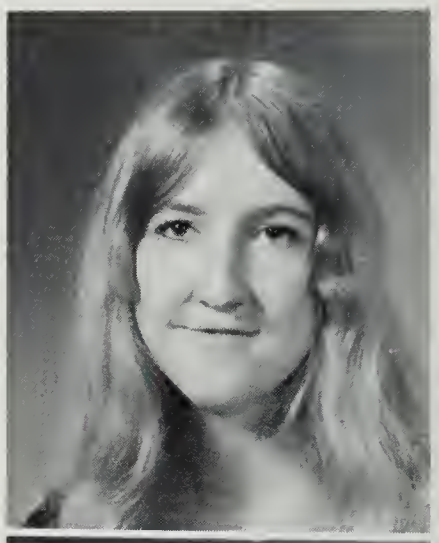
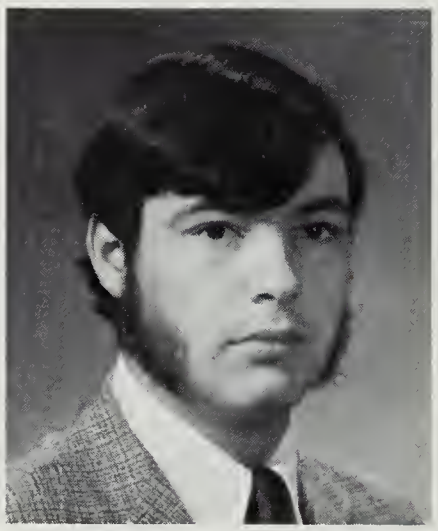
Debbie Roark practices "cutting hair" on Rick Shupe in the senior courtyard.





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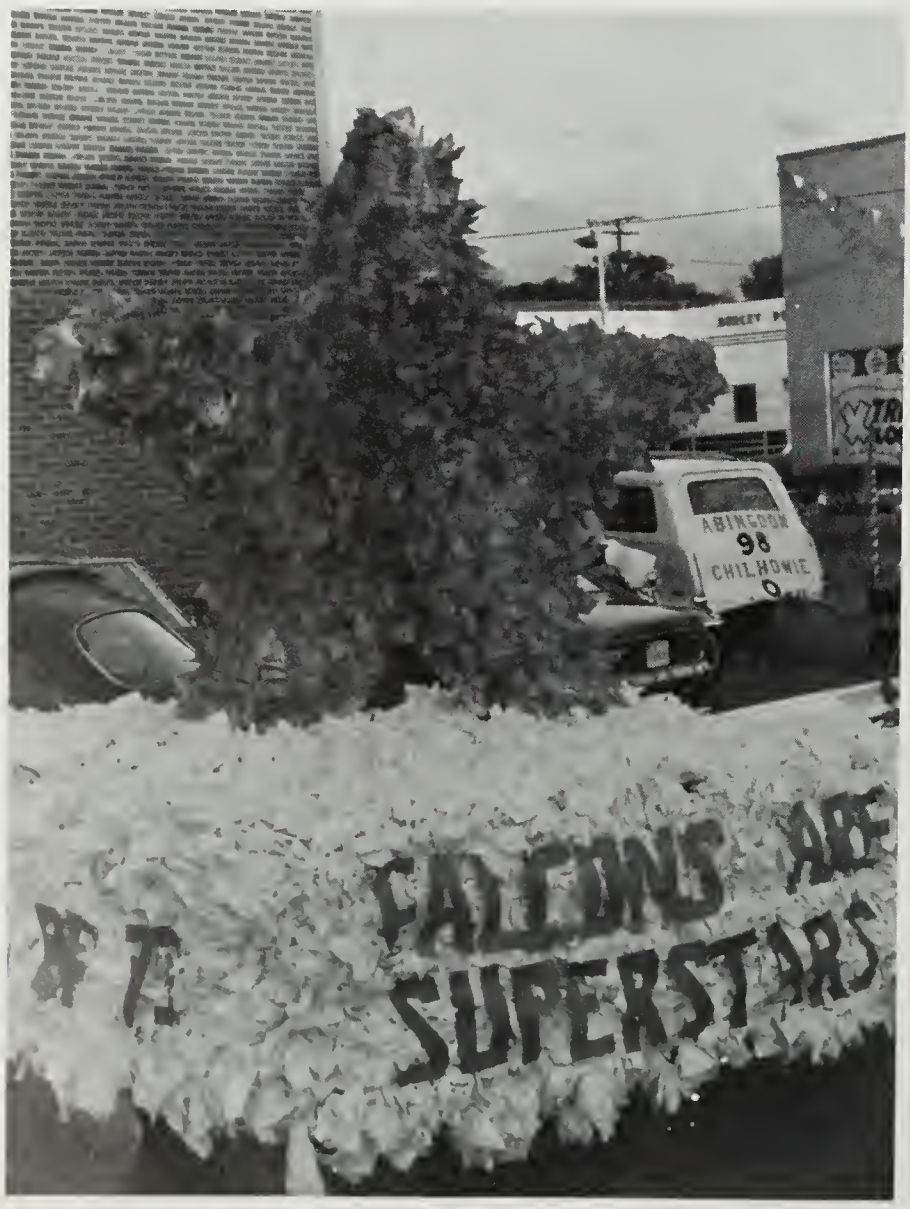
Carl Ray Warren

The Senior Class float, crowned by a blue star rides in the Homecoming Parade.



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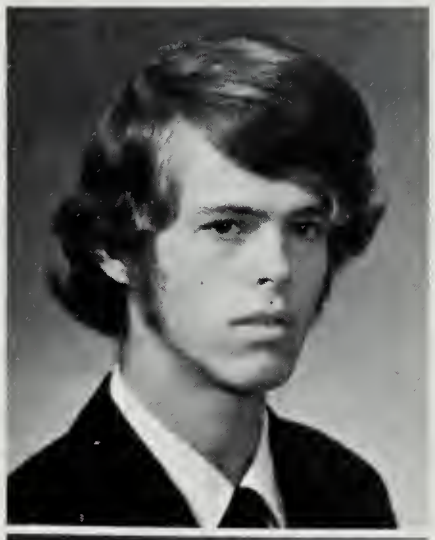

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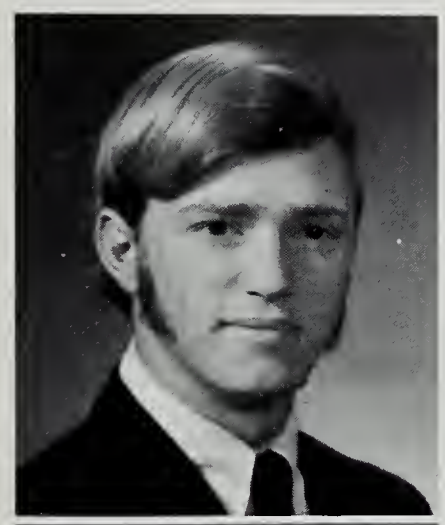

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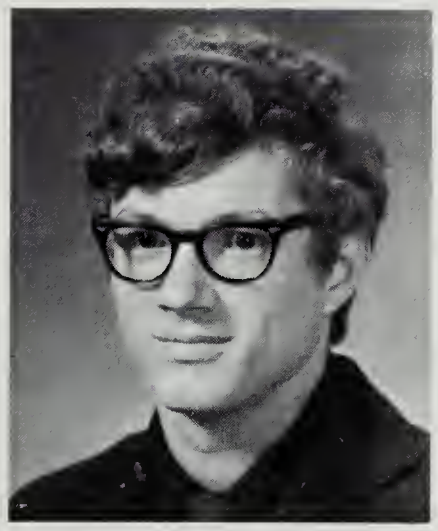

Charles Donald Yates

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Glenn Robert Anderson
James Timothy Anderson
Kenneth Wayne Balthazar
Gary Alan Barrett
Deborah Diane Chapman
John Frances Gawryla
Joe Cameron Hearl
Robert Allan Holloway
Andrew Jackson Hounshell
David Alan Hurley
Robert Dale Mann
Rufus Eugene Moore
Gregory Dean Owens
Mary Kim Poole
Milton Lewis Ross
Jeffrey Glen Sorah
James Eugene Sprinkle
Charles Wayne Stevens
Robert Leonard Vestal
Terry Scott Whitten
Danny Gordan Widener
Jerry Lee Wise
Stella Christine Wright

Seniors

LEFT: A group of happy-go-lucky seniors enjoy the "privileges" of senior courtyard. BELOW LEFT: Beverly Rhoaten and Kathy Dunn concentrate on the art of baking. BELOW: Susan Price finds help in a reference book. BOTTOM: Rick McClure, Andrew Hounshell, Milton Ross, Don Yates, George Pope, Mike Byrd, Stan Robinette, Dan Richards, and Mark Matheson express different emotions about this year's "last" football game.

New Excitement Arrives in Abingdon From Peru

On August 17, 1972, a prospective Abingdon High School student arrived from Peru. Norley Torres, who made her home with Robin Riddle's family, found life to be very different and exciting in Abingdon. Her favorite foods were hamburgers, french fries, and milkshakes. Norley had many new experiences in the United States. For the first time, she ate in a cafeteria and saw a rainstorm and saw snow. She loves to dance but our sports are still rather confusing to her. Although Norley only spent one year with us, she has made a lasting contribution to our school and life.

UPPER LEFT: Norley enjoys lunch with other seniors. ABOVE: Norley practices her typing skills. BOTTOM LEFT: Norley's American family, including Mr. and Mrs. Carl Riddle, her sister, Dee Dee, her brother, Rick, and Robin, pause for a family picture.

BOTTOM LEFT: Dr. Emmett patiently interrogates Mrs. Paddy while Florence looks on. TOP RIGHT: Lillie Belle and Titus show strong emotions toward Mrs. Savage as Florence, Fariy Mae, and Dr. Emmett stand by. CENTER RIGHT: Members of the cast receive the final "curtain call". BOTTOM RIGHT: Hannibal plays his violin for "John Thomas" and his one-eyed friend.

The Curious Savage Inspires Audiences

Senior Class Play

"I'm weary. I would like to rest and be relieved of decision and protected against uncertainty. Yet, I belong in the world in which I can best serve." This was one of many inspiring lines from the Senior Class play. "The Curious Savage" contrasted inmates in a mental asylum to people in the insane outside world. Weeks of rehearsal and work on stage props and costumes contributed to making the production a success. The humorour yet very meaningful play proved to be one of the best ever presented at Abingdon High.

TOP LEFT: Mrs. Savage refuses to give in to her daughter's demands. BOTTOM LEFT: As Mrs. Savage clutches her teddy bear, she imagines sinister schemes. TOP RIGHT: Debbie Riffey and Brenda Wright apply make-up to Samuel.

Cast

Florence	Evelyn Galliher
Hannibal	Robert Dicks
Fairy May	Alice Morgan
Jeffery	Mark Matheson
Mrs. Paddy	Patty Phillips
Titus	Hugh Arrington
Samuel	John McCroskey
Lily Belle	Rhonda Minnick
Ethel Savage	Jennie Taylor
Miss Wilhelmina	Susan Munsey
Dr. Emmett	Dan Richards
Directed by	Patrick Smith
Stage Manager	Nancy Altizer
Prompter	Sandy Rasnick
Publicity and tickets	Sharon Honaker Carol Wilson
Properties	Brenda Wright
Stage lighting	Kit Grantham
Make-up	Debbie Riffey Brenda Wright Donna Barrett Debbie Fulton

Senior Class Sings School Song As Part of Candle Lighting Ceremony

Senior Assembly

"We will never be united as the class of '73 again. We have changed from individuals with separate goals to a class--soon we will be specific individuals again." These words from the farewell read at the Senior Assembly brought tears. During the program many seniors were presented awards, our foreign exchange student received her class ring, and some senior class members displayed special talents. The impressive candle lighting ceremony at the conclusion of the assembly became a very memorable experience.

TOP LEFT: Robin Riddle, Donna Barrett, Debbie Riffey, and George Morrison read the class prophesy before the student body during the senior assembly. CENTER LEFT: Patty Phillips and Sandy Rasnick display some talent during the assembly, as they sing and play their guitars. BOTTOM LEFT: The "Free Spirits", consisting of Vicky Anderson, Terry Smith, Gary McCall, Sharon Honaker, Jenny Taylor, and Nancy Altizer present a medley of songs as part of the ceremony. TOP RIGHT: Members of the Class of 1973 stand in preparation for the candle lighting ceremony.

Senior Superlatives

Alice Morgan	Best All Around	Dan Richards
Susan Barrow	Most Likely to Succeed	Jim Bowden
Jennie Taylor	Most Dependable	Ray Millsap
Brenda Susan Price	Most Intellectual	Kit Grantham
Sharon Honaker	Most Talented	Don Fields
Carol Wilson	Most Athletic	George Pope
Brenda Wright	Most School Spirited	Fred Mitchell
Janie Gold	Most Courteous	Milton Ross
Polly Thayer	Quietest	Virgil Anderson
Kathy Moretz	Friendliest	Rocky Blevins
Chris Myers	Best Looking	Rick Shupe
Kathy Glover	Best Dressed	Buster Janson
Connie Mills	Wittiest	John Gawryla
Rachel Smith	Class Cut-Up	Jeff Blackwell
Debbie Roark	Biggest Flirt	Ken Farmer

TOP LEFT: John McCroskey announces the final results of the senior superlative voting conducted by the Talon Staff. BOTTOM LEFT: Nancy Altizer presents additional talent as she sings "First Time Ever I Saw Your Face." ABOVE: Norley Torres gets a big hug from her American sister, Robin Riddle, after she receives her class ring.

TOP LEFT: Rocky Blevins, Melanie Harris, and Ricky Anderson seem to be enjoying the music.
BOTTOM LEFT: Raymond Widener and Cindy Thompson are "fully aware" of allthe excitement while Bob Nelson takes time out for a "snooze".
BOTTOM RIGHT: Debbie Reed's date is amused by her new tactics of dancing, while Mardia Bradley and David Foster look on in amazement.

Juniors and Seniors Enjoy Magic Evening

Junior-Senior Prom

Enchantment, excitement, and hard work describe the magic surrounding the Junior Senior Prom. For many, enchantment came with the romantic theme "Love Story". Excitement came with the apprehension of a beautiful, ruffled dress . . . a dazzling corsage . . . lots of loud music . . . an elegant tuxedo . . . romantic dancing. But all the enchantment and excitement was made possible by the Junior class, who worked very hard sponsoring this year's prom. The annual event was held at Abingdon Elementary School and was open to all juniors and seniors and their dates. A popular band, Shadrack, provided music. For seniors the dance was really special because it was their last to enjoy while attending high school.

TOP LEFT: Melanie Buchanan, Gary Hagy, Lynn Kilbourne, Donna Flanary, and Joel Johnston form a "dance circle". CENTER LEFT: Mike Selfe, Sandra Barrett, Floyd Henley, and Helen Gotham become involved in conversation between dances. BOTTOM LEFT: The presidents of the senior and junior classes; Susan Barrow and Eddie Bowen, pose with their dates. TOP RIGHT: Mark Matheson and Cindy Thompson keep time with the music.

TOP LEFT: Mr. Brown is proud of his "John Deere" cap, a gift from the senior class. BOTTOM LEFT: A playful kitty cat joins Joel Hunt and George Morrison as they listen to the class history. TOP RIGHT: Susan Barrow presents Emily Graham with a gift from the senior class. BOTTOM RIGHT: Beth Collins proposes a toast to the class officers.

TOP LEFT: Sylvia McConnell, Shirley Rhoten, Debbie Riffey, George Morrison, Rufus Moore, Steve Hayden, and Sue McClure observe that the buffet line moves slowly when there is such a wide variety of delicious food to choose from. BOTTOM LEFT: While patiently waiting to join the buffet line, Richard Wyatt, Pat Neal, Mike Yeatts, and Gilmer Murray propose a toast with their "water glasses." TOP RIGHT: Carol Wilson, class historian, is awed by Jennie Taylor's serious facial expression as she reads the class history.

Seniors Reminisce Over Class History

Senior Banquet

Good food, a friendly atmosphere, and much fun and laughter was the setting for the Senior Banquet. It was given for the seniors at Greenway Haven Party House by the Abingdon P.T.A. The class history was read and many toasts were proposed by some members of the class. As a personal reminder of the event, each guest received a glass reading "Senior Banquet A.H.S. 1973."

Active, School Spirited Seniors Honored

Mr. and Miss A.H.S.

Chosen as Mr. and Miss A.H.S. for 1972-73 were Dan Richards and Alice Morgan. One selected for this honor has shown an interest toward, and participated in numerous school activities. Dan participated in football, basketball, track, and baseball. He was freshman class vice-president and served as both vice-president and president of the Key Club. He participated in the One-Act play and Senior Class play.

Alice took an active part in many clubs and organizations including the S.C.A., National Honor Society, Flame Tri-Hi-Y, Jr. Science Club, F.T.A., and the Civinette Club. She was eighth grade class vice-president and served on both the Jr. Varsity and Varsity cheerleading squads. She received the N.C.A. Cheerleading award and was elected class treasurer her senior year. Alice participated in the Senior Class play and reigned as Key Club Sweetheart and Homecoming Queen.

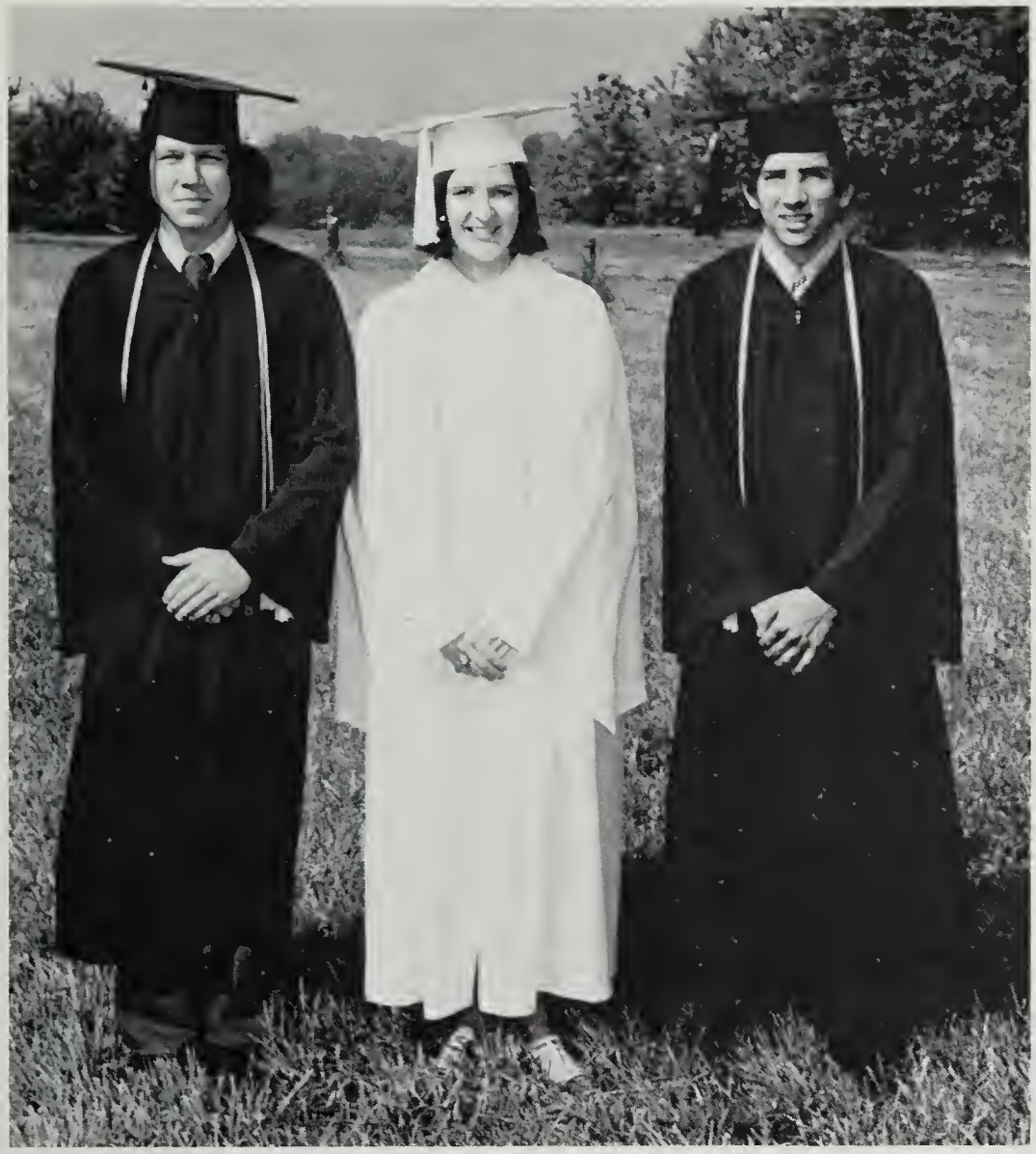
Senior Sponsors Direct Rehearsal

Graduation

"Practice makes perfect". Seniors realized this more and more as they diligently rehearsed for commencement ceremonies. Mrs. Woolwine worked, instructing them on the correct procedure for going to the stage and reminded them not to chew gum. After only a few attempts, class members were confident of promptly finding their places in line and marching with their partner while members of the band played the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance."

TOP LEFT: Mr. McConnell gives some last minute instructions to Richard Wyatt, Mike Snead, and George Thomas. CENTER LEFT: Robert Dicks assists Mrs. Woolwine in explaining the commencement procedures to the graduating class. BOTTOM LEFT: Some excited, but very proud senior girls line up for the graduation exercises. TOP RIGHT: Edna Selfe Malone, Cathy Combs, and Shirley Rhoten practice marching in.

TOP: The Class of 1973 poses for the class picture. BOTTOM LEFT: The audience turns to watch Carol Wilson and Wilma Blackwell march down the aisle during graduation. BOTTOM RIGHT: Patty Goodson, B. J. Hamilton, Debbie Howard, Rhonda Minnick, Kathy Moretz, and Danny Pierce stand as their classmates march in, before taking their seats on stage.



Graduates Attain Enviable Goal

Graduation

Graduation night arrived finding class members feeling nervous but very excited and bubbling with pride. The flurry of putting on caps and gowns and arranging tassels and gold cords soon passed, and the graduates sadly took their seats for the last time at Abingdon High. After listening to the valedictorians' and the salutatorian's speeches and receiving diplomas, the seniors marched triumphally away, having accomplished a proud goal. Words from the class farewell were reflected in many of their thoughts . . . "Good-bye, A.H.S., please don't forget us for we each have a special place for you in our hearts that will never let us forget you . . . " Indeed, graduation left behind many good times and cherished memories, but it also provided a new beginning for the Class of 1973.

TOP LEFT: Jim Bowden, salutatorian, Jenny Taylor and Christopher Grantham, valedictorians, pose for a picture. BOTTOM LEFT: Joel Hunt and Leon Booth adjust their gowns before getting in line. BOTTOM RIGHT: Patty Goodson removes her cap and gold cords after the commencement exercises are over.

NANCY JUNE ALTIZER: S.C.A. Homeroom Representative, S.C.A. Bulletin Board Chairman 8; French Club 9, 10; F.H.A. 9; (Transfer from Bluefield, Va.-grade 11) All Regional Chorus 11; F.T.A. 11,12; Sr. Tri-Hi-Y 12; "Free Spirits" 12.
GLENN ROBERT ANDERSON: 4-H Club 8; F.F.A. Club 9, 10; VICA 11,12.
JAMES TIMOTHY ANDERSON
VIRGIL DAVID ANDERSON: Class Vice President 10; S.C.A. Member 10; Inter-Club Council 10; Regional Science Fair.
THOMAS HARRY ARNOLD: 4-H Club 8,9; Jr. Science Club 8,9; Track Manager 10,11; Sr. Science 10,11,12, President 12; Assistant Photographer 11,12; S.C.A. Member 12; N.H.S. Member 12.
HUGH ARRINGTON: (Transfer from Chilhowie, Va.-grade 10) Hi-Y Club 11; Sr. Science 12; N.H.S. 12.
BARRY ALLEN BAILEY: D.E. Club 10,11,12.
KENNETH WAYNE BALTHAZARR: Baseball 8,9,10; Football 8; Track 9; Wrestling 9; Jr. Science 8,9; Sr. Science 10; D.E. Club 12.
DONNA MAE BARRETT: F.H.A. 8,9; Bible Club 8,9; Latin Club 10; F.T.A. 10; (Transfer from Bristol, Va.-grade 11) Beacon Staff 11, Co-Editor 12; N.H.S. 11,12; Sr. Tri-Hi-Y 11; Talon Staff 12.
GARY ALAN BARRETT
SUSAN LARUE BARROW: S.C.A. Homeroom Representative 8,9; Band 8,9,10,11,12; Flame Tri-Hi-Y Secretary 8; Jr. Science 8 Reporter 9; Class President 10,11,12; F.T.A. 10,12; School Forensics Winner 11; School, District Forensics Winner 12; Wildlife Essay Winner 11; N.H.S. 11 Vice President 12; Varsity Cheerleader 11,12; All County Band 10.
SHERRE PAMELA BARTEE: (Transfer from Bristol Va-grade 11) F.B.L.A. 11; VICA Secretary 12.
CURTIS BELLAMY: Football 10; F.F.A. 10,11; D.E. Club 12.
LEWIS JEFFERSON BLACKWELL: Football 8; Interact Club 10,11; Track 9; Jr. Science 10; Key Club 11,12; Hi-Y-Club 11; Sr. Science 12.
WILMA SHORTT BLACKWELL: S.C.A. Homeroom Representative 8,9,10; District Representative 11; Flame Tri-Hi-Y 8; Jr. Tri-Hi-Y 9; Jr. Science 8,9; F.T.A. 10,11; N.H.S. 11,12; D.E. Club Secretary 12.
ROCKY LANE BLEVINS: F.F.A. 9,10; D.E. Club 11
LEON DUNCAN BOOTH: Band 8,9,10,11,12; Jr. Science 8,9; Jr. High Chorus 8; S.C.A. Member 9,10,11; Track 9; Hi-Y Vice President 11, President 12; Key Club 10,11, 12; Sr. Science 12
JAMES HARRIS BOWDEN: Jr. Science 8,9; Basketball 8,9; Interact Club 9,10; Sr. Science 10,11,12; Beacon Photographer 10,11; Golf 11; Tennis 12; N.H.S. 11,12 Reporter 12.
MARDIA TINSLEY BRADLEY: Flame Tri-Hi-Y 8, Band 8, 9,10,11,12; Jr. Science 8,9; Jr. Tri-Hi-Y 9,10 Chaplain 9; Sr. Tri-Hi-Y 11; Civinettes 11,12 Treasurer 12; N.H.S. 11,12; S.C.A. Representative 11, G.A.A. President 12; Intramurals--Volleyball, Basketball (Captain) 11,12; Badminton, Ping-Pong Co-Champion 12, All County Band 8,9,10,11,12; All-Region Band 11,12.
WILLIAM MICHAEL BYRD: Football 8,9,10; Baseball 8,9; Basketball 5,10; (Transfer from California-grade 12) Basketball 12; Football 12.
CONNIE SUE CAMPBELL: F.H.A. 8; S.C.A. Homeroom Representative 8; Jr. Tri-Hi-Y 9,10; N.H.S. 11,12; Sr. Tri-Hi-Y 11,12, Secretary 12; Chorus 12.
JOYCE MARALLA CARTY: F.H.A. Recreation and Song Leader 8,9; F.H.A. Vice President 10; F.H.A. Historian 12; D.E. Club 12.
SUSAN JANE CHITWOOD: Pep Club 8,9; Band 8,9; Majorette 8; Circulation of School Paper 8; Library Assistant 8; Scholastic Award in Math 9; Jr. Tri-Hi-Y 9; Volleyball Team 9; (Transfer from Marion, Va.-grade 10) Band 10, 11,12; Drum Major 11,12; S.C.A. Chaplain 11; N.H.S. 11,12; Civinette 11,12, Secretary 12; Civinette of the Year--Appalachian District 12, All-County Band 10,11, 12.
BETTY ANN CLARK: Band 8,9,10,11,12; Flame Tri-Hi-Y 8; Jr. Science 8,9, Treasurer 9; F.T.A. 10,11,12 Co-Chairman (Bulletin Board) 12; Civinettes 11,12.
MARY BETH COLLINS: F.T.A. 8,9,10; Band 8,9,10,11, 12 Reporter 12, Flag Girl 12; Flame Tri-Hi-Y 8; S.C.A. Homeroom Representative 10; Civinettes 11,12; Inter-Club Council 11; N.H.S. 11,12; President 12; Class Vice President 11; S.C.A. Homeroom Representative 12; All County Band 8,9,10,11,12; All-Regional 10.
CATHERINE JANICE COMBS: 4-H Club Vice President 8; Pep Club 9; Library Club 10; Beta Club 10; F.B.L.A. 11; (Transfer from Castlewood, Va.-grade 12) N.H.S. 12.
THOMAS ALFRED COUNTS III: Football 8,9,10,11; Track 8,9; Jr. Science 8,9; Jr. High Chorus 9; Hi-Y Club 10, 11; Key Club 10,11,12; Tennis 12.
VIRGINIA JEAN CULBERTSON: 4-H Club Treasurer 8, President 9, Vice President 10,11,12; Glee Club 9; F.H.A. 10,12; D.E. Club 12.
WANDA ELLEN CUMBOW: Bible Club 8,9; French Club 8; F.H.A. 9.10, Song Leader 10; (Transfer from Bristol, Va.-grade 11) S.C.A. Homeroom Representative 11; F.B.L.A. 11; D.E. Club Assistant Secretary, Student of The Year.
VIRGINIA CHARLOTTE DEBUSK: Girl's Track 8; Tennis Club 9; Overseas Club 9; Newspaper Staff 10; (Transfer from Germany-grade 11) D.E. Club.
ROBERT BRUCE DICKS: Football 8; Placed Fourth in Regional Wrestling Tournament 11; Wrestling 11,12; Class Vice President 12; Interact Club 12
KATHY LOUISE DUNN: Band 8,9,10,11.
JACKIE WAYNE EASTERLY: Band 8,9,10; 4-H Club 8; Interact Club 12; Talon Staff-Business Manager
PHYLLIS JEAN EMMERT
DAVID RAY ESKRIDGE: Football 8; Wrestling 8,9,10; Track 8,9; Baseball 8,9,10; Jr. Science Sgt.-at-Arms 10; D.E. Club President 12.
KENNETH WAYNE FARMER: Basketball 8; (Transfer from Ohio-grade 9) Basketball 9,10; Interact Club 9,10; Sr. Science 12.
SUSIE ELLA FERGUSON: Library Club 8,9,10,11,12 Vice President 11,12; Inter-Club Council 11; Talon Staff 12.
DONALD EDWARD FIELDS: Football 8,9; Track 8; F.F.A. 9,10,11; D.E. Club Sgt.-at-Arms 12.
SHIRLEY ANNE FIELDS: (Transfer from Bristol, Va.-grade

12) Sr. Tri-Hi-Y 12; Chorus 12.
DAVID RAYNE FOSTER: Hi-Y Club 8,9,10,11; Track 8, 9; Key Club 9,10,11,12; S.C.A. Vice President 11; Sr. Science 12.
KATHY ANN FUGATE: F.H.A. 8,9,10,11,12 Recreation and Song Leader 10; N.H.S. 11,12; D.E. Club 12.
GARY THOMAS FULLER: Football 8; F.F.A. 11; Interact Club 12; Best Dressed Guy-Sadie Hawkins 12.
DEBRA ELAINE FULTON: Jr. Tri-Hi-Y 10,11, Chaplain 11, Vice President 11; Future Christian Athletes 10; Girl's Golf Team 11; F.H.A. Co-Historian 11; (Transfer from Damascus-grade 12) Sr. Science 12; Library Club 12.
CHARLES FRANK FULTON: D.E. Club 12.
KAY FULTON: Library Club 10; D.E. Club 10,12.
EVELYN ANITA GALLIHER: N.H.S. 11,12; F.H.A. 11,12; Treasurer 12; Chorus Vice President 12.
MELVIN THOMAS GARRETT: Baseball 8,9,10; Football 8.
JOHN FRANCES GAWRYLA:
KATHY ANN GLOVER: Band 8; Flame Tri-Hi-Y 8; Jr. Tri-Hi-Y Historian 9.
JANIE MARGARET GOLD: Band 8,9,10,11,12; F.H.A. 8; Flame Tri-Hi-Y 8; Sr. Tri-Hi-Y 11; Yearbook Club Editor 11; Co-Editor 12; N.H.S. 11,12; S.C.A. Member 12; First Place Annual Math Exam 12; Volleyball Intramurals 12, All-County Band 10,11; All Region Band 11.
PATRICIA ANN GOODSON: F.H.A. 9; N.H.S. 11,12.
EMILY LEIGH GRAHAM: F.H.A. 9,10; Cheerleader 9; Girl's Track 10; F.T.A. 11,12; Civinettes 11,12; D.E. Club 12.
CHRISTOPHER DOW GRANTHAM: Band 8; Jr. Science 8,9; Interact 10; Debate 10,11,12; Won District 10,12; Sr. Science 10,11,12 President 12; Wrestling 11; N.H.S. 11, 12 Treasurer 12; S.C.A. Member 11,12.
GARY LEE GREGORY: Football 8,9,10,11,12; Basketball 8; Track 8; Hi-Y Club 8,9; Interact Club 9; Golf 10,11, 12; Class Chaplain 12; F.F.A. 10.
LINDA SUE HAGY: F.T.A. 11; Chorus 12.
THOMAS LEE HAGY: Track 8,9; Basketball 8,9,10; Jr. Science 8,9; Interact Club 9,10,11,12 Sgt.-at-Arms 12; Baseball 9; Football 12.
BOBBIE JANE HAMILTON: Flame Tri-Hi-Y 8; N.H.S. 11,12; Class Treasurer 11; Talon Staff Editor 12; S.C.A. Member 12.
PATRICIA ANN HARLESS: F.H.A. 8,9,10,11,12 Vice President 11, President 12; Inter Club Council 11; 4-H Club 12; S.C.A. Member 12.
JONAE ELAINE HAWLEY: F.T.A. 8,9,10,11,12 Secretary 12; Band 8,9; Beacon Staff 9,12; Intramurals 10,12; Jr. Tri-Hi-Y 10, S.C.A. Homeroom Representative 10; Assistant Editor-Talon Staff 12.
HAROLD STEPHEN HAYDEN: Football 8; Track 8,11.
JOE CAMERON HEARL: F.F.A. 8.
ROGER LEE HEARL: F.F.A. 8,12; D.E. Club 10; VICA 11.
PATSY SUE HINCHEY
ROBERT ALLAN HOLLOWAY
SHARON LYNN HONAKER: Band 8,9,10,11,12 Flame Tri-Hi-Y 8; Jr. Chorus 8; Jr. Tri-Hi-Y 9; Majorette 10,11,12 Head Majorette 12; S.C.A. Homeroom Representative 11; Class Secretary 12; "Free Spirits" 12, All County Band 8, 9,10,11,12; All-Regional Band 11.
ANDREW JACKSON HOUNSHELL: Football 8,9,10,11,12; Track 8,9,10,11,12; Wrestling 8,9,10,11,12 Captain 12, Regional Champion 12; S.C.A. Homeroom Representative 10; Baseball 11.
DEBRA ANN HOWARD: Class Secretary 8; Flame Tri-Hi-Y 8; F.H.A. 8; N.H.S. 11,12.
JOEL STEPHEN HUNT: Track 8; Interact 10,11,12; Sr. Science 10,11,12.
DAVID ALAN HURLEY: Football 8,9,10,11,12; Track 8; Baseball 8.
JEFFREY ALLAN HUTTON: F.F.A. 8,9; Football 8,9.
FREDDIE LYLE JAMES: Wrestling 8,9,10,11 Most Improved Wrestler 10; Football 10,11; Jr. Science 9; Track 9; Interact Club 10; D.E. Club 12.
ROBERT DALE JANSON: Football 8; Baseball 8,9; Basketball 8,9,10,11; Golf 9,10,11,12; Hi-Y 8,9,10; Key Club 10,11,12 Treasurer 12.
ALLEN LEE KELLY: D.E. Club 12.
PATRICIA GAY LARGE: F.B.L.A. 11; (Transfer from Bristol, Va.-grade 11) VICA 12.
ROBERT DANIEL LATHAM: Football 8; Track 8; D.E. Club 10,11,12.
JESSE WAYNE LEWIS: F.F.A. 10,11,12; VICA 11,12.
WILMA JEAN LINDER: Bible Club 8,9; (Transfer from Bristol, Va.-grade 11) F.B.L.A. 11.
HENRY CLIFFORD LLOYD, JR: Glee Club 8; Football 8; Basketball 8; Track 8,9; Baseball 8,9,10,11,12; D.E.C.A. 10,11,12 Chaplain 11,12; D.E. Student of the Year-Second Place--Second Place-Public Speaking 12.
SHELIA DRU LOWE: F.F.A. 12.
MARTHA SUE McCLURE: F.H.A. 8,9,10,11; F.T.A. 8, 9,10; Class Secretary 9; Library Club 9; S.C.A. Member 10; Jr. Tri-Hi-Y 10,11; F.B.L.A. 11; Sr. Tri-Hi-Y 11; (Transfer from Demascus, Va.-grade 12) S.C.A. Homeroom Representative 12.
RICHARD LYNN McCLURE: Football 8,9,10,11,12; Basketball 8; Track 9.
SYLVIA LOUISE McCONNELL: F.F.A. 11,12; Vice President of Federation 12.
DAVID LEE McCRACKEN: Second Place-Science Presentation 9; D.E. Club 10,12; F.F.A. 11.
JOHN EDMOND McCROSKEY: Interact Club 9,10,11,12; Talon Staff 12.
EDNA SELF MALONE: Honorable Mention in State Writing Convention.
MARK EDWARD MATHESON: Football 8; Basketball 8; (transfer from Holden, W.Va.-grade 9) Track 9,10,11; Basketball 9,10,11,12; Key Club 10,11,12 Sgt.-at-Arms 11; Football 10,11,12 Honorable Mention All S.W.D. Defensive Tackle 12; Sr. Science 12.
JERRY WAYNE MILLER: Football 8; 4-H Club 8,9; Jr. Science 9,10; Library Club 9; D.E. Club 11,12.
CONSTANCE GWEN MILLS: Jr. Chorus Secretary 9; F.T.A. 11; Chorus 12.
GILBERT RAY MILLSAP: Jr. Science 8; Football Manager 11.
RHONDA JEAN MINNICK: French Club Treasurer 8, Secretary 9; S.C.A. Homeroom Representative 8,9; Cheer-

leader 8,9; 4-H Club 8; Jr. Tri-Hi-Y 8; Drama Club 9; (Transfer from Lebanon, Va.-grade 10) F.T.A. 10,11,12 Co-Bulletin Board Chairman 12; Forensic Competition-Third Place 10; Civinettes 10,11,12; One-Act Play; N.H.S. 11,12; Drama Club President 12; School Forensics Winner 12.
FREDERICK RAY MITCHELL: F.F.A. Vice President 12.
ROBERT DOUGLAS MITCHELL: F.F.A. 9,10,11,12 Second Vice President 10,11, President 12; N.H.S. 11.
SANDRA KAY MITCHELL: G.G.A. 9,10; Spirit Club 9, 10; (Transfer from Bristol, Tenn.-grade 11) Talon Staff 12.
RUFUS EUGENE MOORE
KATHY LYNN MORETZ: Second Place School Forensics 8; Jr. Tri-Hi-Y 8,9 Vice President 9; Science Club 9; Pep Club 9; Class Vice President 10; J.V. Cheerleader 10; Sr. Tri-Hi-Y Chaplain 10; "Miss Patrick Henry" 10; (Transfer from Glade Springs, Va.-grade 11) F.T.A. 11,12; Civinettes 11,12; S.C.A. Homeroom Representative 11; Chaplain 12; Girl's State Delegate 11; N.H.S. 12; Cheerleader 12; Girl's Track 12; Interact Club Sweetheart; President of Chorus 12; Civitan Essay Winner-Second Place.
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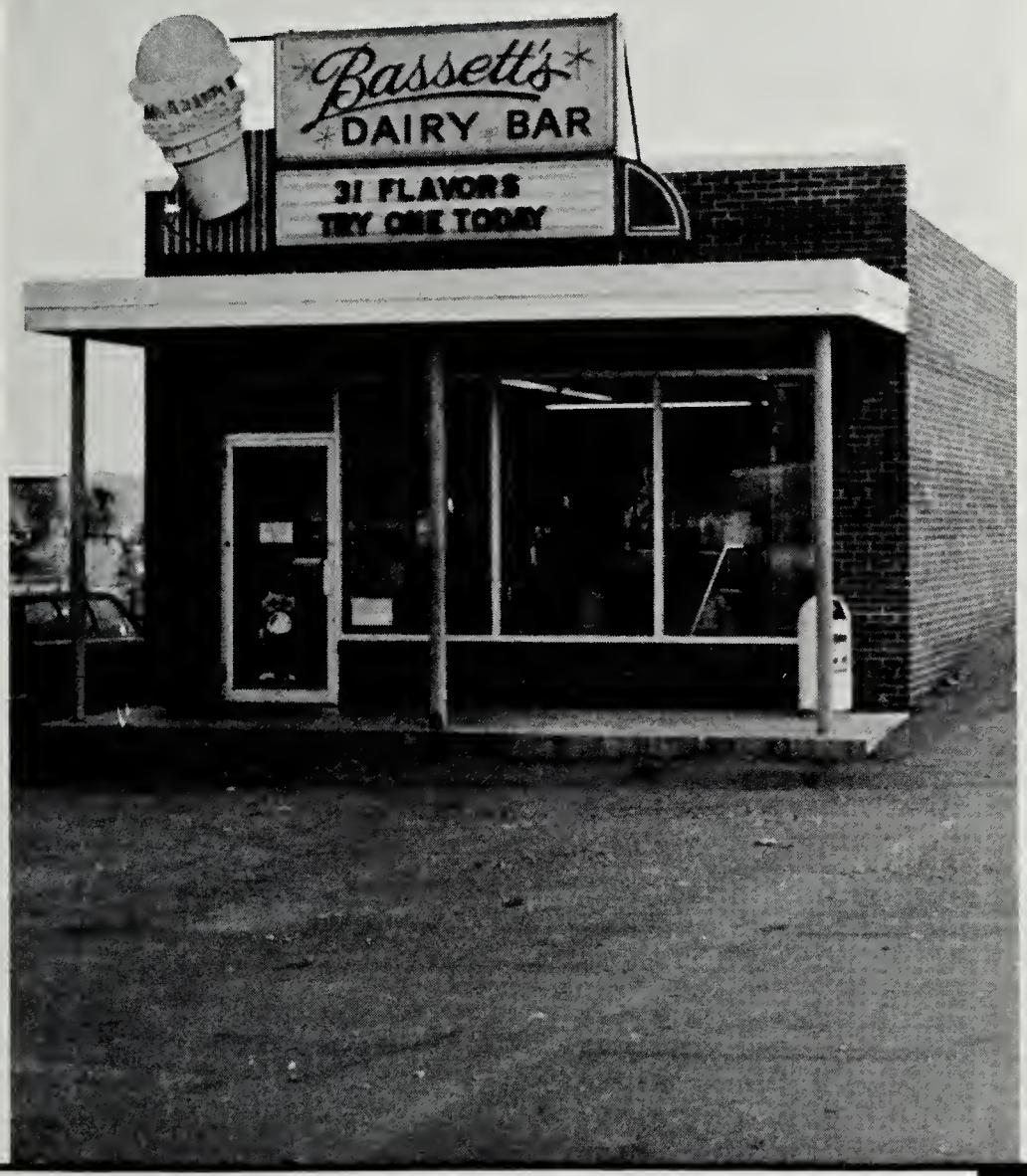

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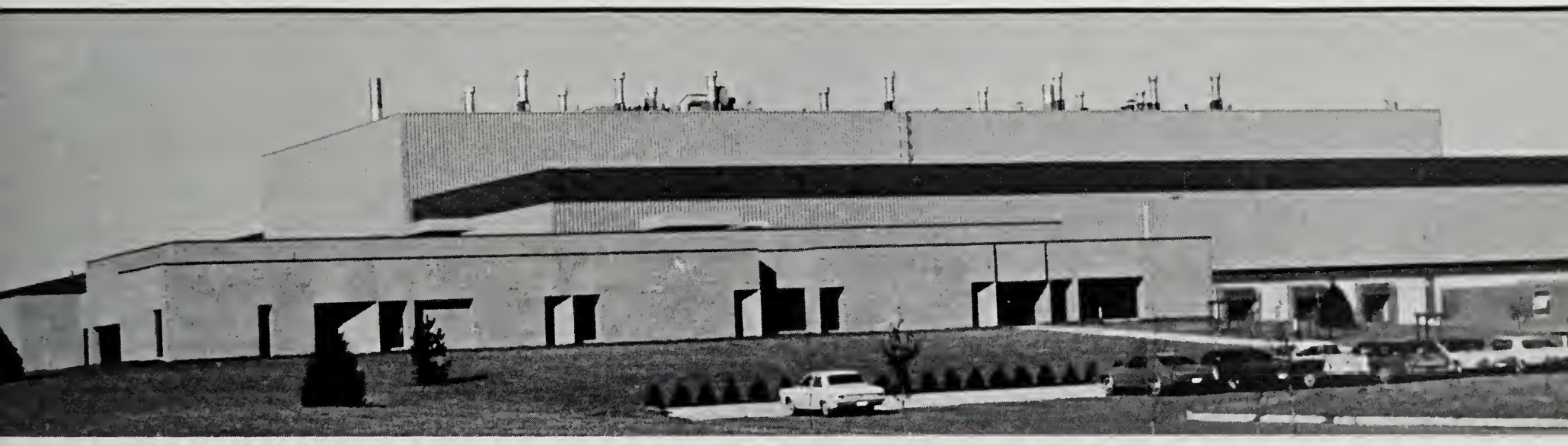

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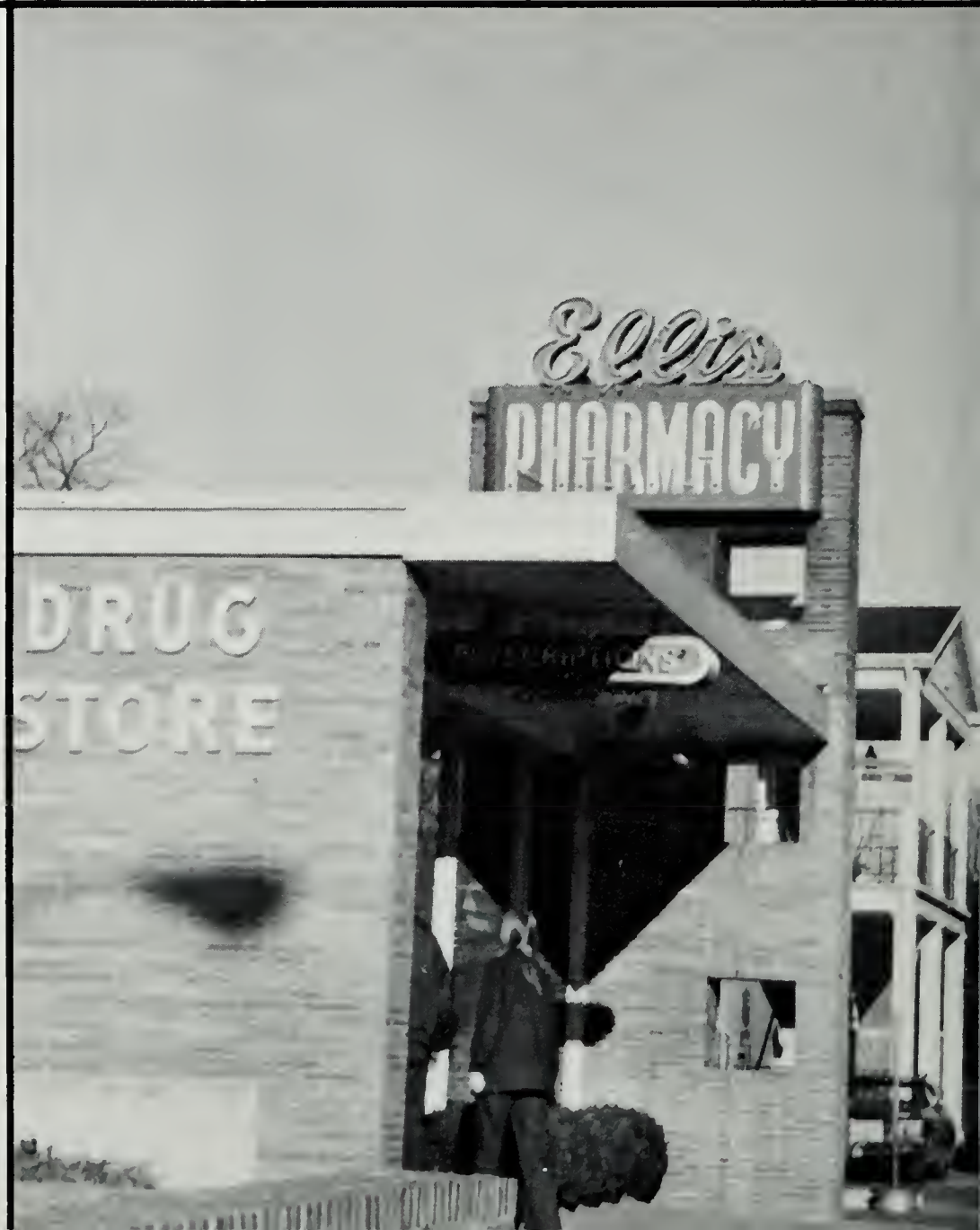

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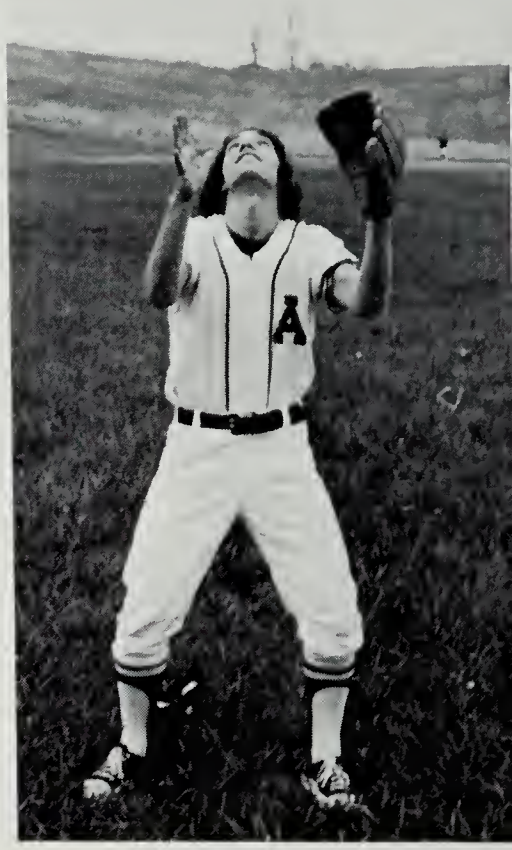

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what a queer thing
to do. A DRESS!!! oh well
you might decide to reform on us!
I still don't believe it. Dont change too much
Charlie is getting old you dont want to give
him a heart attack ridingover there 1 day.
take good care of your animules. And I hope
your ranch idea goes okay

Rebekah Bowman

Valerie Horne
1973-74

Jennie,
To a great, nice
all around friend. (I think)
To a badmitton, table tennis,
volleyball friend. (Remember the fun!)
Good luck in your
studies and I'll see
you next year (In Different Classes)
as Juniors!
The Great (Patti Bryan)

To The Brain of The Bunch -
AND To whom IT MAY CONCERN -
I THINK you HAVE A CHANCE
To MAKE IT. I WAS JUST
KIDDING - I LIKE you
very much BECAUSE
you Are Very NICE
AND SWEET
Randy P.

To a great friend, mate
girl sweet
sweet. Keep
me like I will
remember me
Love
Cathy

Jennie,
Well we've made it
through another year, Algebra and
all! Can't wait to get into Geometry.
It's really been nice knowing you and I
hope we'll stay friends for a long time.
Love ya,
Margie

P.S. Good luck with Algebra II!

Hi. Always be cool as
you all and never
forget me.
Luv: Remember
Agnieszka

R.

To a nice and
cute girl who seems
real nice even though
I don't know you too well

Bob P.

Jennie,
You are great girl.
I hope you will
continue to be your
self throughout your final years
at Abington High School. Stay as
sweet and kind as you are now.
Best wishes to you in future years!
Your friend,
Jan Zigat
'76

Jennie,
You're a real friendly girl.
Hope you get the things in life you
want. Good luck with the
guy in your life.
Debbie Morris "76"

Jennie,
It really has been nice
Knowing you these past 3
years. I wish you lots of
luck with your horses.

Cheryl

"76"
Jennie, I know you will do so well
and have many horses and
some one who loves you
with all your heart. I hope
you get your horses, (Blue Blood
of course) and have many
years of happiness. Good
luck with your horses.
Sincerely,
Jennifer A. Lewis

Jennie,

You are really a nice friend to have. Good luck in Algebra II & Geometry. I think you'll make it through Mrs. Lineberry. Remember all the good times in P.E. last year. Be good & good luck in all you do.

Love,
Julie

Jennie,

When you think of last year in science and the 8th grade in P.E. and a few other classes we got along pretty well. I really am glad we're friends. I hope we can stay and become even better friends in the future. Be good. Stay cool.

Love,
Pam Kaylor

Jennie,

To a great person, who did all her Algebra homework! And I didn't!!! Good Luck! always

Lennace

Jennie,

Although I can't see why you are taking 2 math courses, but I'm sure you'll do alright. What a combination, (McConnel & Lineberry) Remember all the times in Spanish. I wish you were in my Spanish II class. I hope you found a name for your hoarse. Ha. I'm a really good speller. Be good & hope for the best. Donnie "76"

Jennie,

To a great 7th period friend. Remember that "dull"!! History Class? Ugh!!! Remember your discussions (arguements!), the great speller who sat in front of the class who went by the name "Teacher", your evolution report, & TA-DA . . . MS. FORD! How could we ever forget? Well . . . good luck in everything and tell the President that he can't land in your back yard anymore! Good luck in Math, you'll love Lineberry.

See ya,

Sandy Weaver

Jennie,
you're one of the smartest and sweetest girl I know.
I hope that we may be friends in all the years to come.
Gook luck in the future.

Your friend,
Connie

Jennie,
you are the sweetest girl and i know you will make it through life. Stay out of trouble!

Your friend,
Patty

Jennie,
you're really a great kid! remember homeroom 9?
well anyway, best of luck!

Juli

TO THE SMARTEST
Girl I KNOW
And LIKE Alot
LOVE, Bill

Jennie,
To a really sweet and crazy girl. Don't ever forget our fun times last year in Spanish and the fun times we're going to have this year. Be good and stay cool!

Love,
Levonda.

Jennie,
You really
brilliant person.
Have fun in the world.
Love, Judy and
Happiness
Shelie

P.S.
Hope we
friends always.

Jennie,

To a real sweet girl,
who is a whizz at PE.
Stay as sweet as you
are, and you'll always
make friends.

Love ya,
Susan
"75"

JENNIE,
TO A REALLY
NICE GIRL AND GREAT
FRIEND. REMEMBER ME &
ALL THE GREAT TIMES WE'VE
HAD. GOOD LUCK & ALWAYS,
LOV YA,
Susan

Jennie,

You're one of the greatest girl's in the world and of course the smartest one. Stay like you are through life, and Good luck in everything you do. You a great friend.

Love,

Ellen

'76''

Jennie, I finally learned how to spell your name! Isn't that surprising! Well don't ever forget all the corn putting up's, horse rides, skiing, etc. etc. mowing yards, etc. etc. WASn't all that fun! Now that I finally made it (Big Senior) I'll leave Abingdon to you!! Have Fun!

Love mel

Jennie,

Hope you have a great senior year. Enjoy your last year of high school. Hope you get your name in the paper. Have fun!

Love,

Jennie

Jennie,

To a terrific person who's really smart and a whiz in Biology. I wish you all the luck in the world.

Your Friend,

Dannis Reynolds

Jennie,
You are a real neat kid. Inside as very sweet and cute. Best of luck in all you do.

G.F.A
Debbie Pope

Jennie,
May you find much
peace, love, and happiness
in the years to come.
Peace,
Susan Parker

Dear Jennie,
I wish you just
those things life
offers and you're really
deserving. I'm
sorry I didn't
know you better
Good Luck
Allen Dieber

To Jennie Plasak:
youre a very
nice and smart
girl - Good Luck
with Mrs. Cox
Tommy
Quinn

Jennie,
I don't know you
that well, but I do know
you are a nice young
lodie and that you in
3 of my classes. I hope
you have a good year
and a happy future.
Tony
(Bunnie)

Jennie,
You are a real brain,
and I envy you for it!
I know you won't
forget for our
time Our
Class la

To an
intelligent
girl. Best
wishes in the
future. And may
God bless you through
life. Andi

g
ebra
far!?!?

Enchante.
MARK.
ENSMINGER